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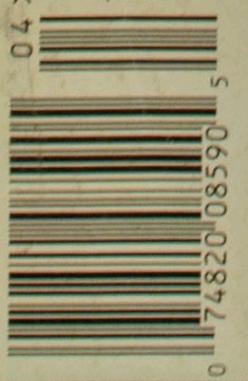
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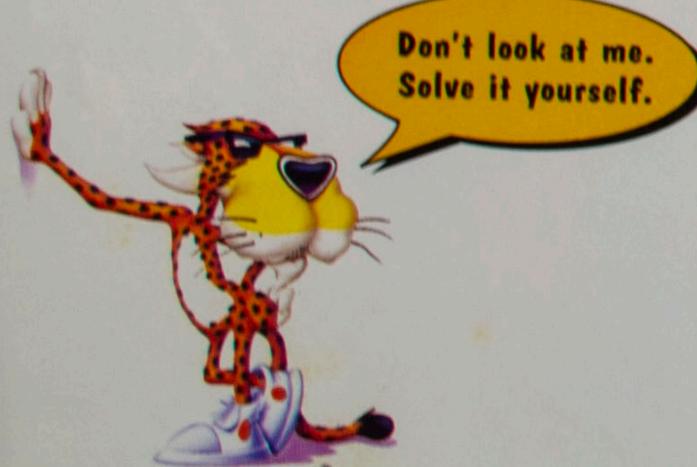
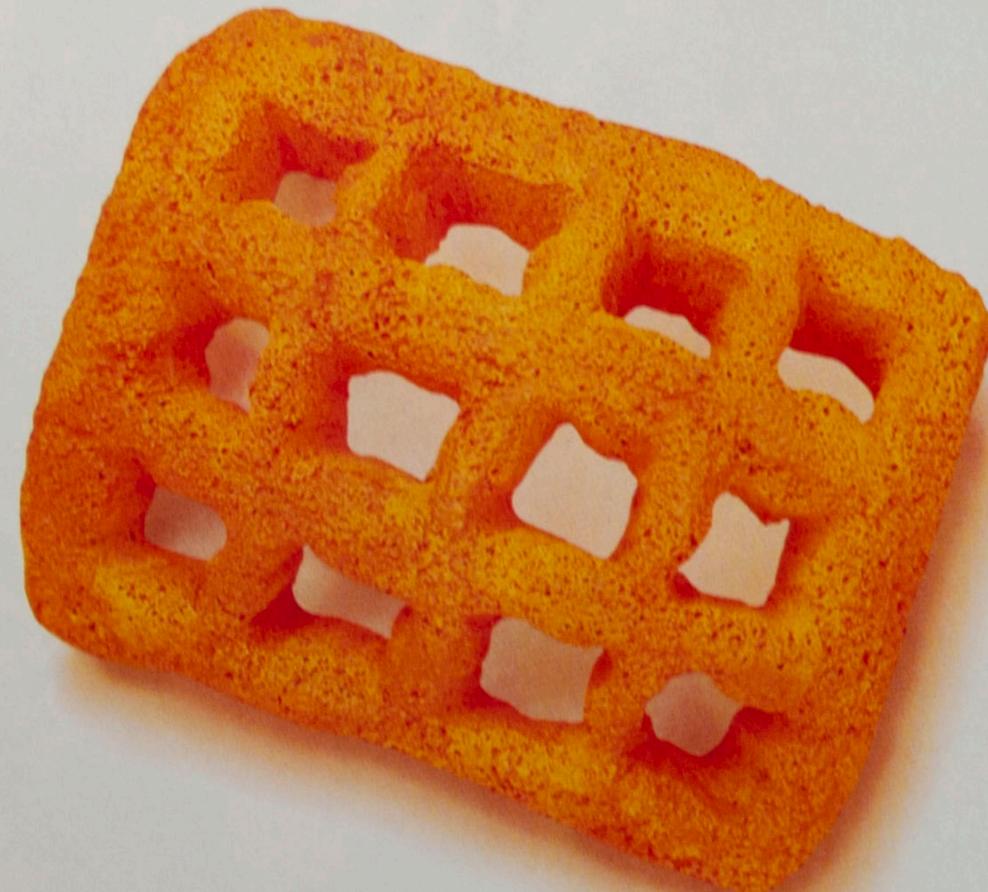
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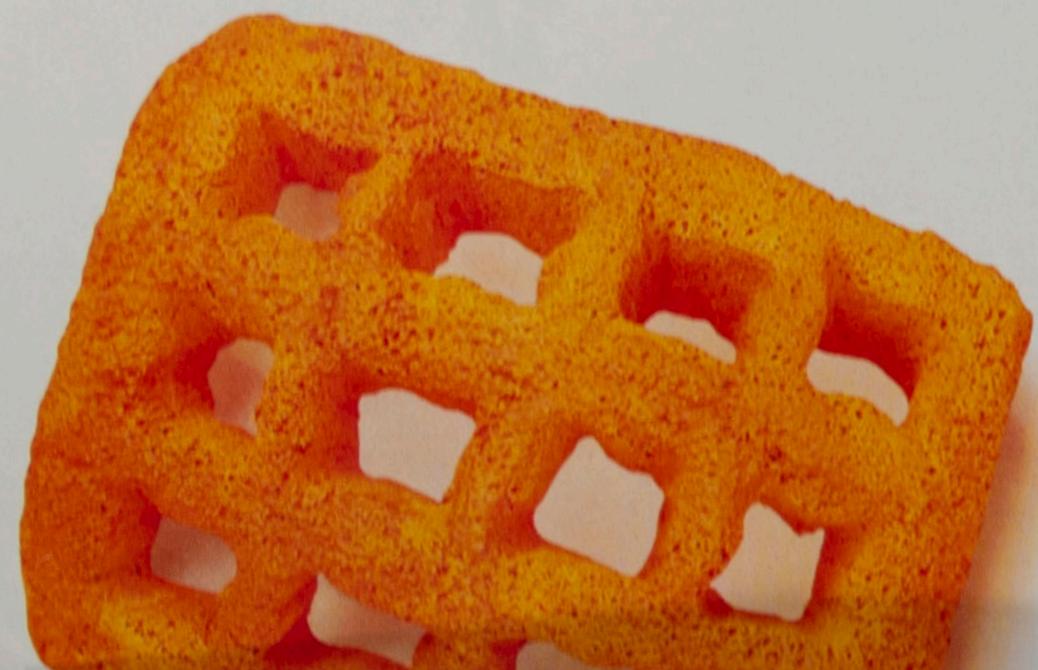


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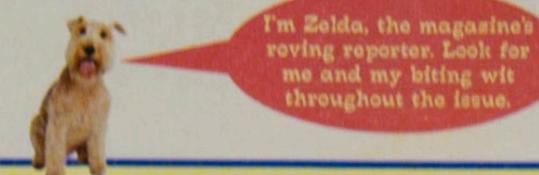
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## Attention

When you see this  it means the story is based on fact. **IT IS REAL.** We didn't make it up. The stories that don't have an  are just products of our overactive imaginations.

## LETTERS to the Editors

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Dear Nick Mag,  
I liked the "Dear Ant Landers" column in your November issue because I have an aunt and her last name is Landers! If you print this letter, I'm sure she would tell everyone to buy an issue!

Alyssa W., age 10  
South Euclid, Ohio

Dear Alyssa,  
Writing that letter was very nice of you.

Dear Nick Mag,  
Do you ever have disagreements? And if you do, over what?

Matt E., age 13  
Needham, Massachusetts

Dear Matt,  
We have disagreements over just about everything, including whether or not to print your letter. The final vote was in your favor, 8 to 2.

Dear Nick Mag,  
In your December issue, you had an article about how to say phrases in Icelandic. I thought that was cool, because my grandma comes from Iceland. I called her and said them to her, and she laughed. Takk (thank you).  
Kristin V., age 12  
Fremont, California

Dear Kristin,  
No sweat!

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Please include your name, address, age, and telephone number.

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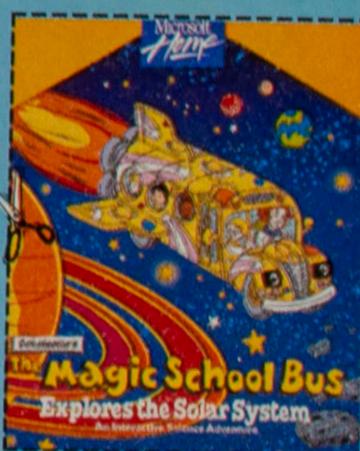
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ANSWERS: Mars, Neptune, Uranus, Mercury, Venus

# Whatever We Want

## Now Playing...



Don't miss our double-feature Flip Book on pages 39 and 40. Cut it out, put it together, and flip out!



### Beat the Clock

Don't forget to move your clock ahead one hour on April 7, as Daylight Savings Time begins.\* That means you will lose an hour of the day. Here are some timesaving tricks that will help you stay on schedule.

#### Timesaving Trick

Wear your clothes to bed, so you don't have to get dressed in the morning.

Fast-forward through boring parts of movies.

Make a long story short.

Put your dinner in a blender and drink it.

Read every other chapter of your book.

Cut to the chase.

#### Savings

15 minutes

15 minutes

5 minutes

10 minutes

10 minutes

5 minutes



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### WELCOME TO THE SOFA-PLEX

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Here we sit  
In our spots.  
What great film  
Have we gots?

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The Sofa-Plex!

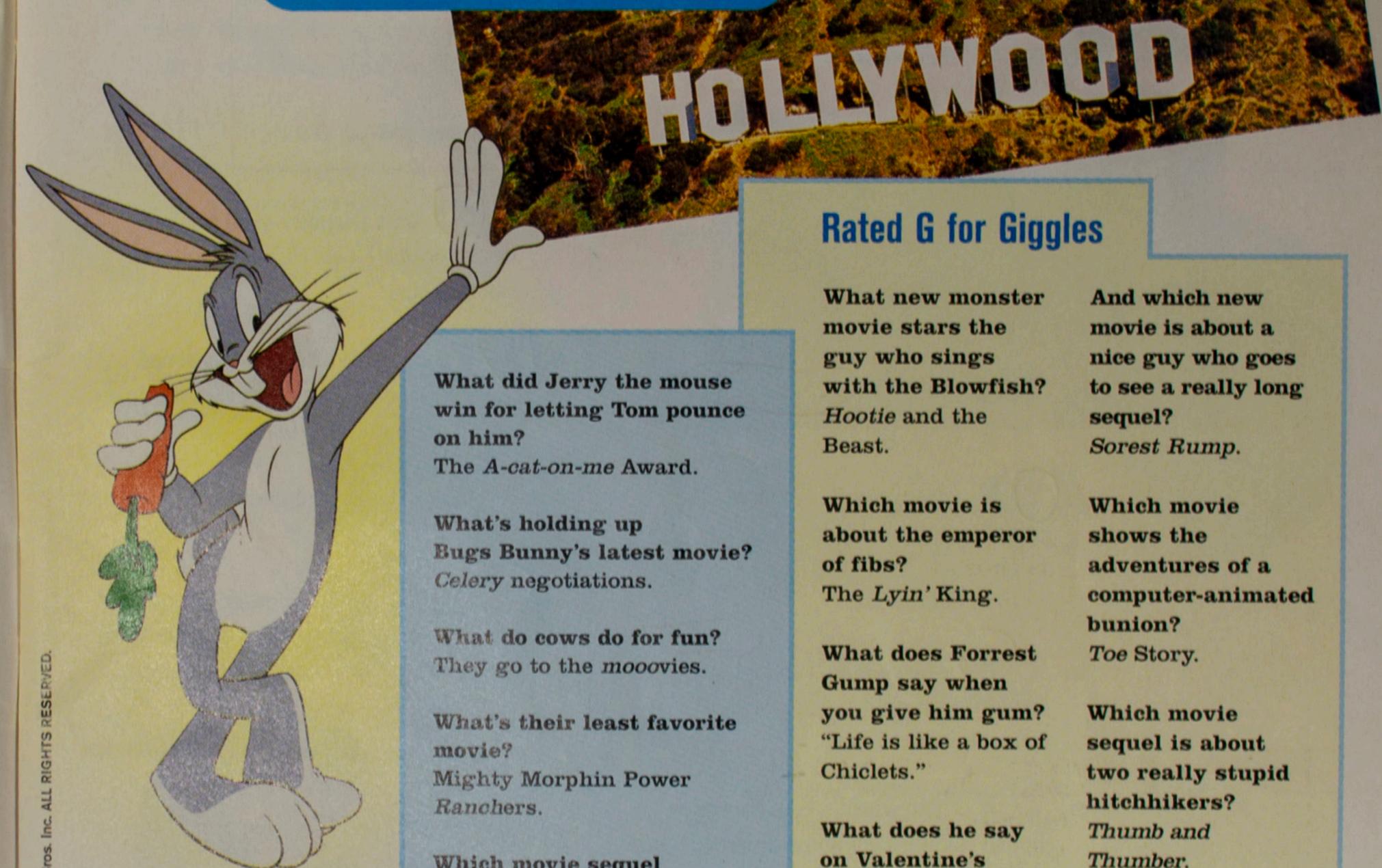


### LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION!

Our Special Movie Section starts on page 5, with jokes that are sure to have you rolling in the aisles.

# The JOKE Page

by David Lewman



### I Screen, You Screen, We All Screen...

Why did the glass container go to Hollywood?  
She wanted to be a movie jar.

Why did the movie fan take the car dealer's sales chart?  
He collected autographs.

What does the rap artist buy?  
Hip-hopcorn.

### Rated G for Giggles

What new monster movie stars the guy who sings with the Blowfish? *Hootie and the Beast*.

And which new movie is about a nice guy who goes to see a really long sequel? *Sorest Rump*.

Which movie is about the emperor of fibs? *The Lyin' King*.

Which movie shows the adventures of a computer-animated bunion? *Toe Story*.

What does Forrest Gump say when you give him gum? "Life is like a box of Chiclets."

Which movie sequel is about two really stupid hitchhikers? *Thumb and Thumber*.

What does he say on Valentine's Day? "Cupid is as Cupid does."

Which sequel is about two really stupid dentists? *Numb and Number*.

Which sequel is about a nice guy who's an overweight flower salesman? *Florist Plump*.

And which sequel is about a really stupid bathroom repairman and his favorite purple fruit? *Plum and Plumber*.



# SCREEN TEST

So you want to be in pictures? Take our movie quiz and see if you can make the scene. Circle true or false next to each statement. **R**

Answers on page 53.



1. **T** **F** *Jurassic Park* has made more money worldwide than any other movie in history. It has earned \$916 million so far.

2. **T** **F** Marco Polo, the Italian explorer, brought movies back to Europe from China.

3. **T** **F** The world's largest movie house is Cine-Perplexed in New Delhi, India. It has 1,000 theaters under one roof.

4. **T** **F** Steven Spielberg has a movie theater in his home.



5. **T** **F** Arnold Schwarzenegger's real name is Arlen Dimwitty III.

6. **T** **F** One reason Hollywood became the center of moviemaking is that it is very sunny and warm, so movies could be shot outside year-round.

7. **T** **F** Walt Disney based Mickey Mouse on his Uncle Stuart, who really was a mouse.

8. **T** **F** *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs* was the first American feature-length animated movie.

9. **T** **F** The original name of the Oscar was the Felix.

10. **T** **F** Tommy Lee Jones, who played Two-Face in *Batman Forever*, was Vice President Al Gore's college roommate.



11. **T** **F** In the first movie theaters, audiences sat and looked at a still photo and the entire theater "movied" around them very fast.

12. **T** **F** Sherlock Holmes is the character most portrayed in movies. Seventy-five actors in 211 films have played him since 1900.

13. **T** **F** King Kong's granddaughter was one of the apes in *Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls*.

14. **T** **F** Before movies had sound, many theaters had orchestras or organs that played along with the film.

15. **T** **F** Until the 1950s, most people could only see in black and white, so there was no need for color movies.

16. **T** **F** In *Toy Story*, President Clinton did the voice of Mr. Potato Head.

17. **T** **F** Silent film great Charlie Chaplin actually was unable to speak.



18. **T** **F** As publicity for a 1977 film called *The Worm Eaters*, the director and producer of the movie went to malls and theaters and ate eight-inch night crawlers.



19. **T** **F** *The Wizard of Oz* originally contained a scene called "The Jitter Bug," in which Dorothy, the Scarecrow, the Cowardly Lion, and the Tin Man were attacked by furry pink and blue bugs.

Something tells me these shoes aren't from Kansas.



20. **T** **F** Jim Carrey is so allergic to animals that his twin brother had to do all his scenes with animals in both *Ace Ventura* movies.



21. **T** **F** Old uneaten movie popcorn is shipped to Hollywood and used as fake snow in movies.

22. **T** **F** In *Tarzan, the Ape Man*, Tarzan's holler is a special sound effect created by a mix of a cat meowing and a recording of an ambulance siren played through an underwater speaker.



23. **T** **F** In *The Wizard of Oz*, the Yellow Brick Road was made out of American cheese singles.

24. **T** **F** The only person named Oscar to win an Oscar is silent film comedian Oscar Wilde. He was voted Best Actor for his 1927 movie, *The Importance of Meeting Ernest*.

25. **T** **F** The movie *Oklahoma!* was filmed in Arizona.

26. **T** **F** A plane carrying Leo the Lion, MGM's mascot, crashed in 1927, but Leo lived.

27. **T** **F** At age 6, Shirley Temple was the youngest actor ever to receive an Oscar.

MORE

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# SCREEN TEST

CONTINUED

Circle the letter of the correct answer for each question.



1. This is a scene from:  
 A. *Bananas*  
 B. *Planet of the Apes*  
 C. *Young Ape Lincoln*



2. This is from the Whoopi Goldberg movie:  
 A. *Sister Act*  
 B. *The Singing Nun*  
 C. *Nuns on the Run*



3. This kid was in the movie called:  
 A. *The Mouth That Roared*  
 B. *A Nightmare on Elm Street*  
 C. *Home Alone*



4. This is a scene from:  
 A. *Planes, Trains, Buses & Automobiles*  
 B. *Speed*  
 C. *My Fare Lady*



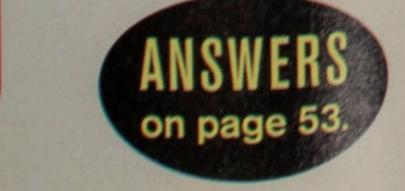
5. In *Fantastic Voyage*, these people:  
 A. Tour a Silly String factory  
 B. Explore a human body  
 C. Get caught in Courtney Love's hair



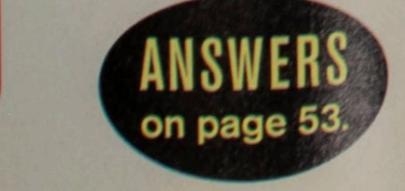
6. Who is this man?  
 A. Fred Astaire in *Royal Wedding*  
 B. Jeff Goldblum in *The Fly*  
 C. Val Kilmer in *Batman Forever*

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7. This is a scene from the movie:  
 A. *To Catch a Plane*  
 B. *Airplane!*  
 C. *North by Northwest*



8. Marlon Brando is shown here in:  
 A. *The Wild One*  
 B. *The Styled One*  
 C. *The Mouse and the Motorcycle*



**ANSWERS**  
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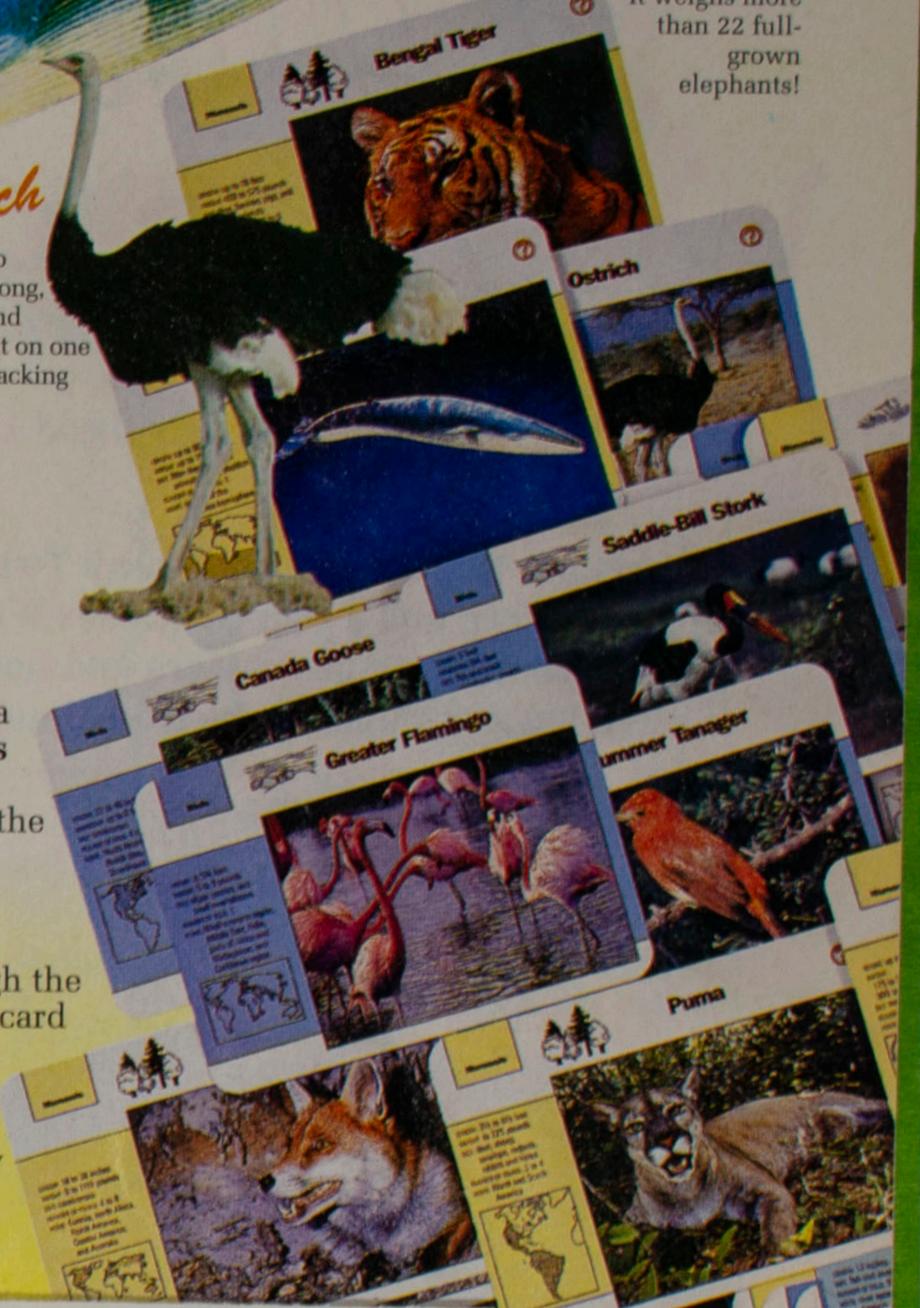
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To perform this script, you'll need: Two actors, a plate of grilled cheese sandwiches, a folded piece of paper, and a sign that reads **WELCOME TO PLANET STUPITER**. If you want to film it, you'll also need a video camera and someone to operate it. (Note: Anything that's in *italics* is a direction and shouldn't be read aloud.)

**FADE IN:  
A KITCHEN-AROUND NOON**

**ACTOR ONE** and **ACTOR TWO** are eating grilled cheese sandwiches.

**ACTOR ONE:** Mmmm...good sandwich. I think I'll have another.

**ACTOR TWO:** Me too.

*Both reach toward a plate...but the only thing on it is a note, folded in half.*

**ACTOR ONE:** Hey! They're gone!

**ACTOR TWO:** There were five sandwiches just a second ago!

**ACTOR ONE:** What's this note? (Reads) "Greetings, foolish earthling..." **FOOLISH!?**

**ACTOR TWO:** Oh, it's for you.

**ACTOR ONE:** (Reads) "We, the Big Brainiacs from the planet Stupiter, have stolen your grilled cheese sandwiches." Oh, no—aliens!

**ACTOR TWO:** Oh, no—our lunch!

**ACTOR ONE:** Wait, there's more. (Reads) "The sandwiches were delicious. You are next."

**ACTOR TWO:** Next? Next for what?

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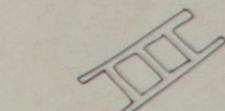
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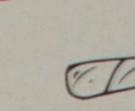
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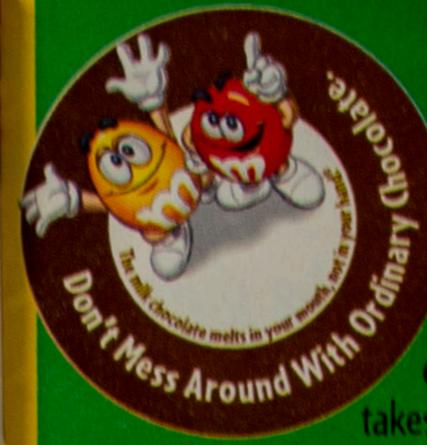
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"Would you do all this stupid stuff for an 'M&M's' candy? Uh...never mind."



ACTOR ONE steps off the bed. ACTOR TWO keeps bouncing.

ACTOR ONE: The surface is more stable over here. Come on! Let's find those aliens.

ACTOR TWO gets off the bed and suddenly points.

ACTOR TWO: Look!

## CUT TO:

The actor's reflection in a mirror. (Shoot at an angle so the camera can't be seen in the mirror).

ACTOR TWO: Ooh, these aliens are hideous!

ACTOR ONE: Those aren't the aliens, you dope! That's us. (Walks to the mirror and touches it) See? It's a reflective device.

ACTOR TWO: They probably use it to aim their killer lasers. (Shouts to the sky) Show yourselves, you stupid aliens! Return our sandwiches!

ACTOR TWO shakes, yells, and disappears, just as before. ACTOR ONE stands still.

ACTOR ONE: Hey! Where are you? Come back!

ACTOR TWO steps out of the closet, walking like a robot.

ACTOR TWO: (Speaks like an alien robot) Here...I...am.

ACTOR ONE: What were you doing in there?

ACTOR TWO: Looking...for...sandwiches. Hungry... Make...me...sandwiches.

ACTOR ONE: Sandwiches? But we don't have any...

ACTOR TWO: (Eager to hear the sandwich ingredients) Yes? What...do...we...need...to...make... sandwiches?

ACTOR ONE: You're a Big Brainiac! Where's my friend?

ACTOR TWO: This...is...your...friend. We...are...inside...her [or his]...brain.

ACTOR ONE: Well, get out of there. (Shakes ACTOR TWO)

ACTOR TWO: We...will...if...you...tell...us...how...to... make...grilled...cheese...sandwiches.

ACTOR ONE: If you're inside his [or her] brain, why can't you just find the recipe?

ACTOR TWO: You...wouldn't...believe...the...mess... in...here.

ACTOR ONE: I'll write it down if you promise to send us home.

ACTOR TWO: We...promise. Please...hurry. Here... comes...a...brainstorm.

ACTOR ONE: (While writing the recipe on a piece of paper) But why do you want the sandwich recipe so badly?

ACTOR TWO: Here...on...Stupiter...our...only...recipe... is...for...stewed...liver...with...turnip...sauce.

ACTOR ONE: Blech! Okay, here's the recipe. Now please send us home.

Both actors vibrate, yell, and then disappear.

## CUT TO: THE KITCHEN

The actors pop back into their seats at the table.

ACTOR ONE: We're back! And look—the Big Brainiacs replaced our sandwiches! What do you think of that?

ACTOR TWO: (Speaks like an alien robot) Please...pass...the...turnip...sauce.

ACTOR ONE: (Scared) Yaaaaaaaaaaaaah!

ACTOR ONE runs from the kitchen. ACTOR TWO watches, then bites a sandwich and smiles at the camera.

ACTOR TWO: (Speaks normally) More cheese for me!

## FADE TO BLACK



ROUND 1						
	Put socks over your hands.	Put your shoes on the wrong feet.	Wrap toilet paper around your neck like a scarf.	Stuff all your pockets with wadded-up paper.	Tease your hair way up with a comb.	Put a pillow under your shirt.
ROUND 2						
	Puff up cheeks for rest of game. Except when eating "M&M's" candies.	Put foot-long string of dental floss between teeth. Leave it there.	Put spoon in mouth. Leave it there. Except when eating "M&M's" candies.	Stick tongue out. Leave it there. Except when eating "M&M's" candies.	Put front teeth over bottom lip for the rest of the game.	Keep one finger up your nose the rest of the game.
ROUND 3						
	Hold large spoon in hand the rest of the game.	Hold a shoe in your hand the rest of the game.	Hold toothpaste in hand the rest of the game.	Hold rolled-up magazine in hand the rest of the game.	Hold bar of soap in hand the rest of the game.	Hold 5 writing utensils in hand the rest of the game.
ROUND 4						
	Put something red behind your ear. <small>(You can always use crayons. If you're more creative, eat an extra "M&amp;M's" candy.)</small>	Put something yellow behind your ear.	Put something green behind your ear.	Put something blue behind your ear.	Put something orange behind your ear.	Put something brown behind your ear.
ROUND 5						
	Put a pot on your head.	Put a pillow on your head.	Put pantyhose on your head (an extra "M&M's" candy if you pull them over your face).	Put underwear (from a drawer) on your head.	Put a long sleeve shirt on your head. Tie the sleeves under your chin.	Put a wet washcloth on your head.
ROUND 6						
	March around until someone looks at you strangely.	Slide around like you're skating until someone looks at you strangely.	Walk on your tip-toes until someone looks at you strangely.	Dance around until someone looks at you strangely.	Hop on one foot until someone looks at you strangely.	Walk with your knees touching until someone looks at you strangely.

# Why Is My Seat Tingling?

You've probably heard of drive-in theaters and 3-D movies. But here are some even weirder gimmicks that have been used to get people into theaters.

by Julie Winterbottom

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## A Real Bonehead

Emergo was created in 1958 for the movie *House on Haunted Hill*. A 12-foot plastic skeleton was hidden in theaters showing the movie. During a scene in the film where a skeleton pops out of a vat of acid, the projectionist would hit a button and the theater's skeleton would light up and jangle along a wire over the audience. William Castle, a master of movie gimmickry, invented Emergo, along with Percepto, Illusion-O, and the "Fright Break."

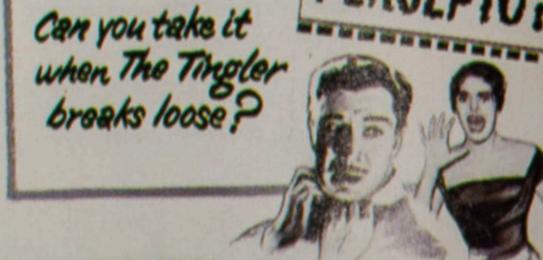
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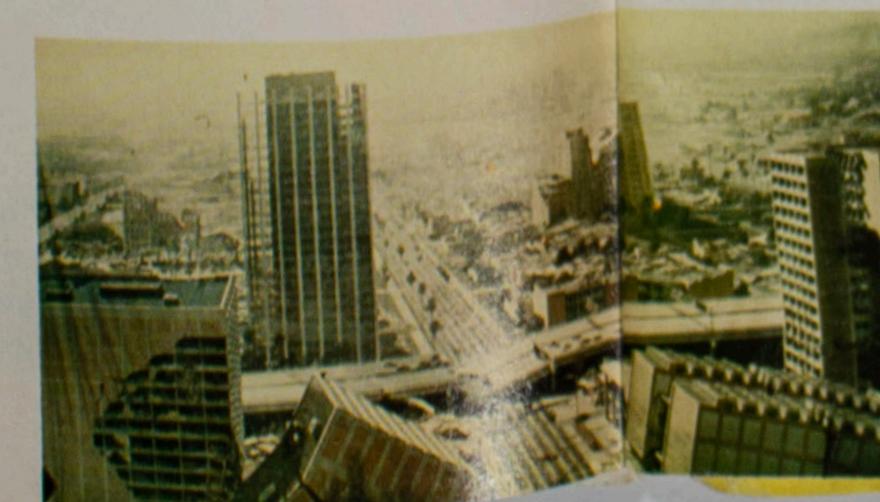


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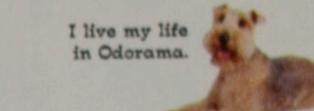
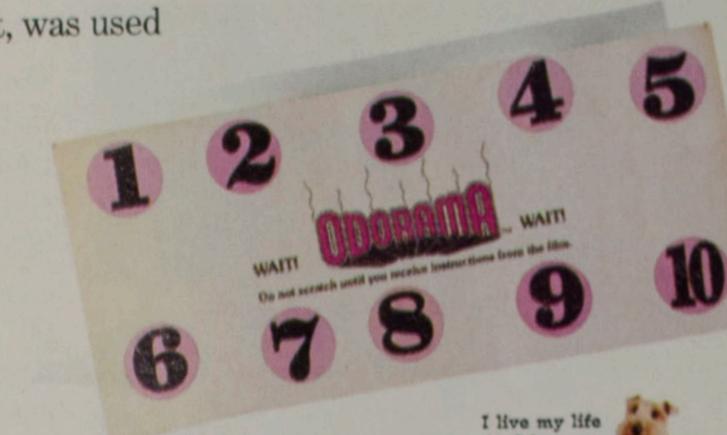
*The Tingler* shocked audiences in 1959 with a gizmo called Percepto, which zapped seats with a mild electric charge. In the movie, a creature called the Tingler gets loose in a movie theater. During that scene, the *real* audiences were told to scream for their lives or be attacked by the Tingler. As everyone shrieked, the projectionist pushed a button that buzzed their bottoms. William Castle, Percepto's creator, boasted that he "buzzed 20,000,000 behinds."



## This Movie Stinks

In 1960, *Scent of Mystery* created a big stink when it was released in Smell-O-Vision. At precise points throughout the movie, smells that included bread, shoe polish, garlic, oil paint, and gun smoke were released from pipes beneath the seats. Electric fans were supposed to blow the smells out, but they didn't work very well. Luckily, *Scent of Mystery* was the first and last movie to be made in Smell-O-Vision.

Odorama, a similar concept, was used about 20 years later. Each audience member was given a scratch-and-sniff card marked with numbered patches. When a number flashed on screen, the audience scratched and sniffed the corresponding patch.



## The Fright Break

The 1961 movie *Homicidal* had a "Fright Break." Two minutes before the end, the movie paused and a voice announced that anyone too frightened to see the rest of the movie had exactly 65 seconds to go to the box office for a refund. In the lobby, the box office was bathed in yellow light and had a sign that read COWARDS' CORNER. A nurse gave blood-pressure tests to cowards, and a recording kept repeating, "These cowards are too frightened to see the end of *Homicidal*!"



## All Shook Up

Viewers of the 1974 movie *Earthquake* got to feel what it's like to be in the middle of an earthquake thanks to Sensurround. During the earthquake scenes, huge speakers in the theater emitted air vibrations into the audience. These vibrations sounded like a deep rumble and made everything inside the theater shake.

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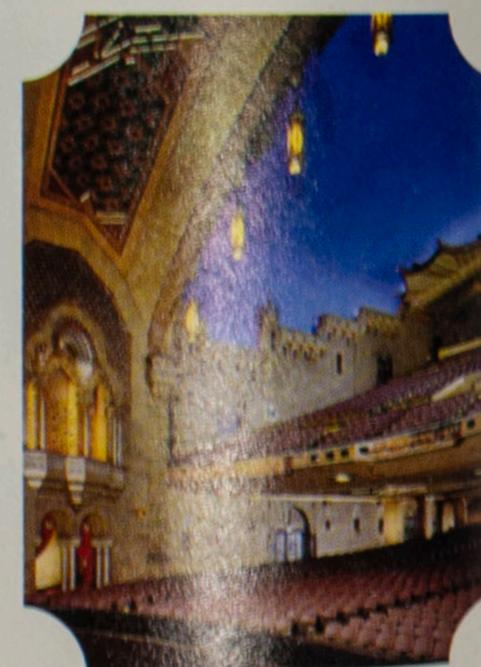
If you're bored with going to your mall multiplex, imagine going to one of these.

by Julie Winterbottom



## ◀ A Tube With a View

For three summers starting in 1989, Raging Waters theme park in San Dimas, California, showed weekly "Dive-In" movies, such as *Jaws* and *Creature From the Black Lagoon*. The park's gigantic wave pool held more than 500 viewers floating on inner tubes.



## Stormy Weather ▶

When the Fox Theatre in Atlanta, Georgia, opened in 1929, special lighting was used to create the illusion of drifting clouds, rain, fog, and snow on the blue vaulted ceiling. Also, the ceiling was embedded with hundreds of tiny light bulbs that looked like stars.



## ◀ In-Flight Movies

The Fly-In Drive-In movie theater opened in Wall Township, New Jersey, in 1947. It was a 400-car drive-in that also had parking space for 15 airplanes, which could land on a neighboring airstrip.



## A Sleeper ▶

This summer, if you want to see a movie on a big screen, but you're too lazy to drag yourself out of bed, check into the Best Western Movie Manor in Monte Vista, Colorado. The motel has rooms with speakers and picture windows that face a drive-in movie screen. During the summer, owner George Kelloff lives in a house attached to the snack bar and projection room, which is in the middle of the drive-in lot.

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# Multiplex Multi-pack

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- there's been a severe nacho-cheese-dip spill.
- there's a horrible, lingering vomit odor.
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it's reserved for Mr. Ebert.

Please find another seat and enjoy the show!

Your friendly theater owner,

Winter Redbone



# Multiplex Part 2

Directions: Have your movie neighbors sign this contract.



Hi, and welcome to the movies! I'm glad to be sitting near you. But so we can both enjoy the movie, let's agree to the following:

## YOU WILL NOT...

- ...talk back to characters on the screen.
- ...hog the armrest.
- ...repeat dialogue.
- ...make out with your date.
- ...ask stupid questions.
- ...crinkle candy wrappers.
- ...kick my seat.
- ...slurp through drinking straw when only ice remains in cup.
- ...be smelly.
- ...shout out the ending if you know it.
- ...breathe through your nose so I have to listen to your rustling nose hairs.

Your breaking this contract will result in your paying me damages in the amount of 10 free movie tickets.

viewer on left

viewer on right

viewer behind

viewer in front

Directions: If you have to run to the bathroom during the movie, give this to your movie mate, and have him or her fill it in.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> There was a crazy chase scene where...  | <input type="checkbox"/> The dog got lost.  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> bad guys chased good guys.<br><input type="checkbox"/> good guys chased bad guys.<br><input type="checkbox"/> a dog chased a car. | <input type="checkbox"/> Someone ate something disgusting and didn't know what it really was.   |
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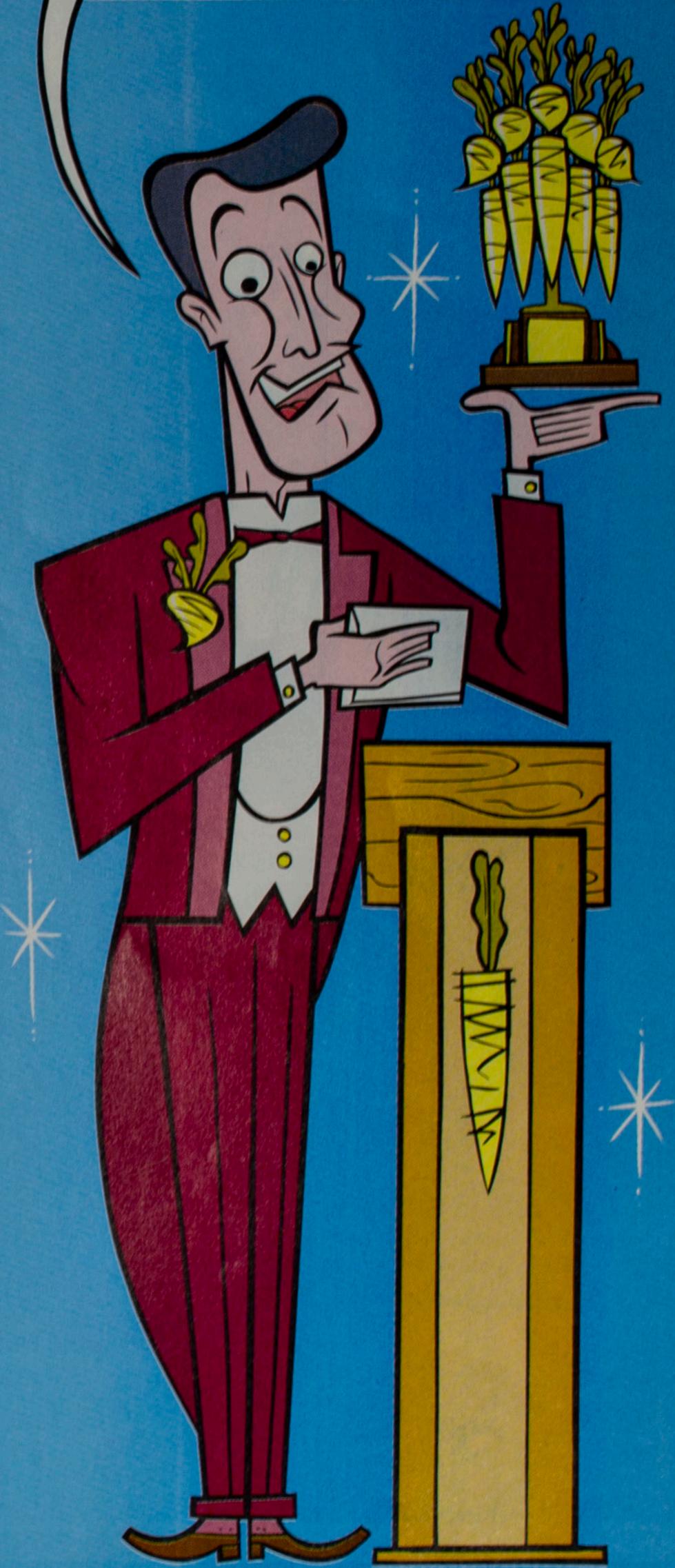
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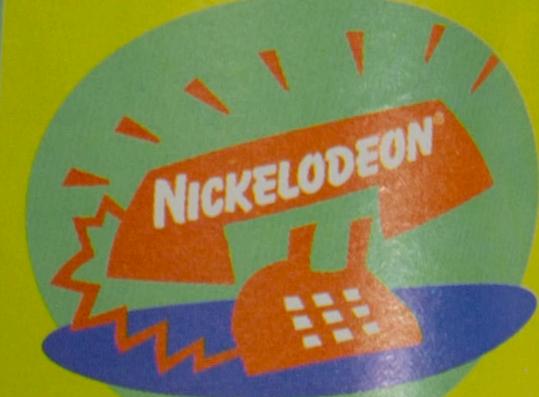
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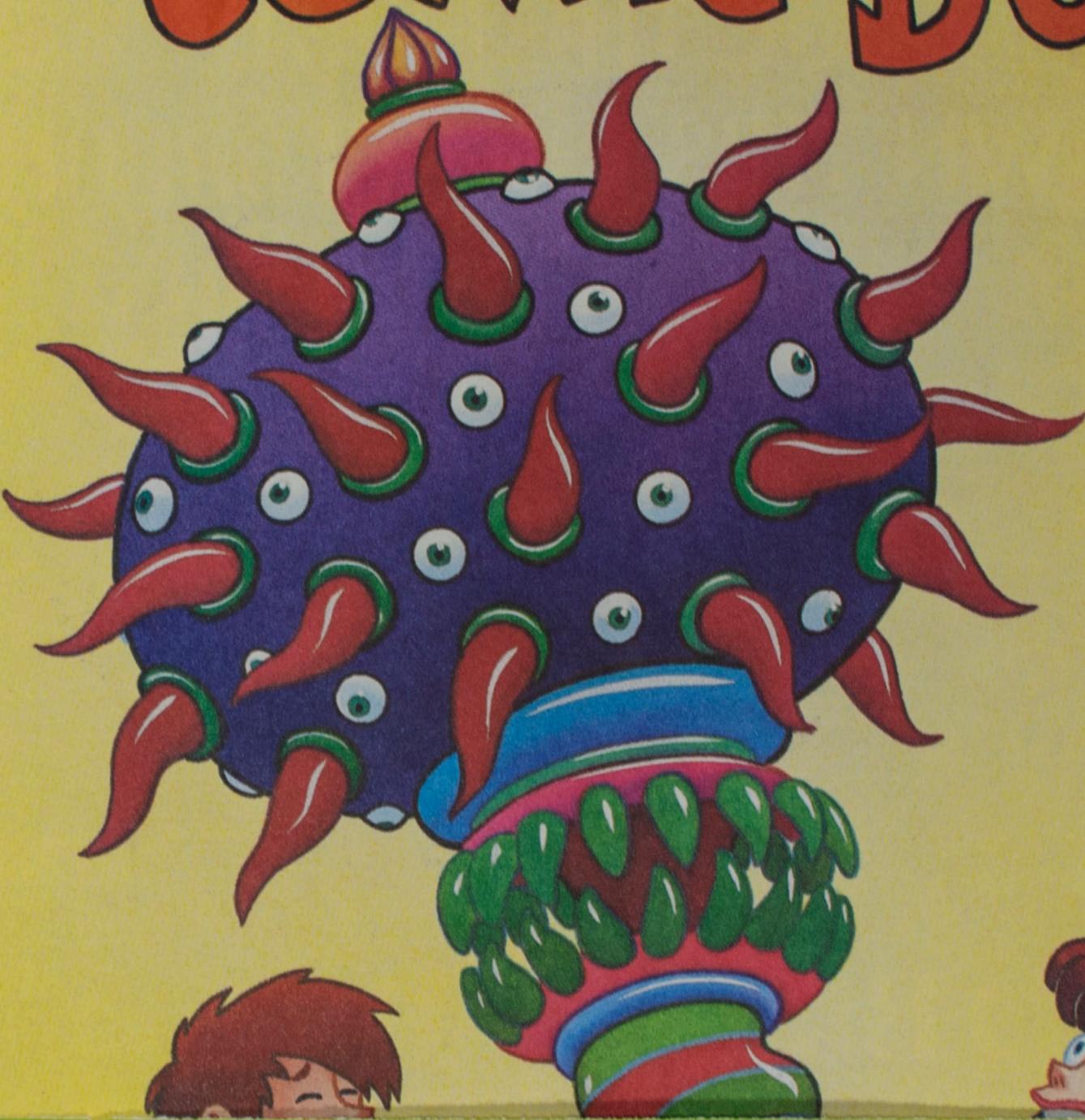
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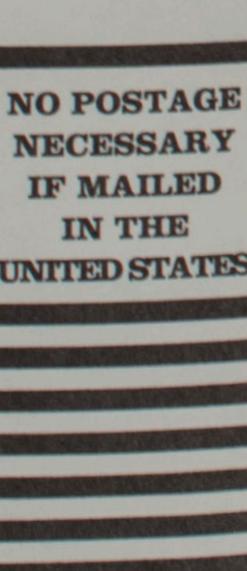
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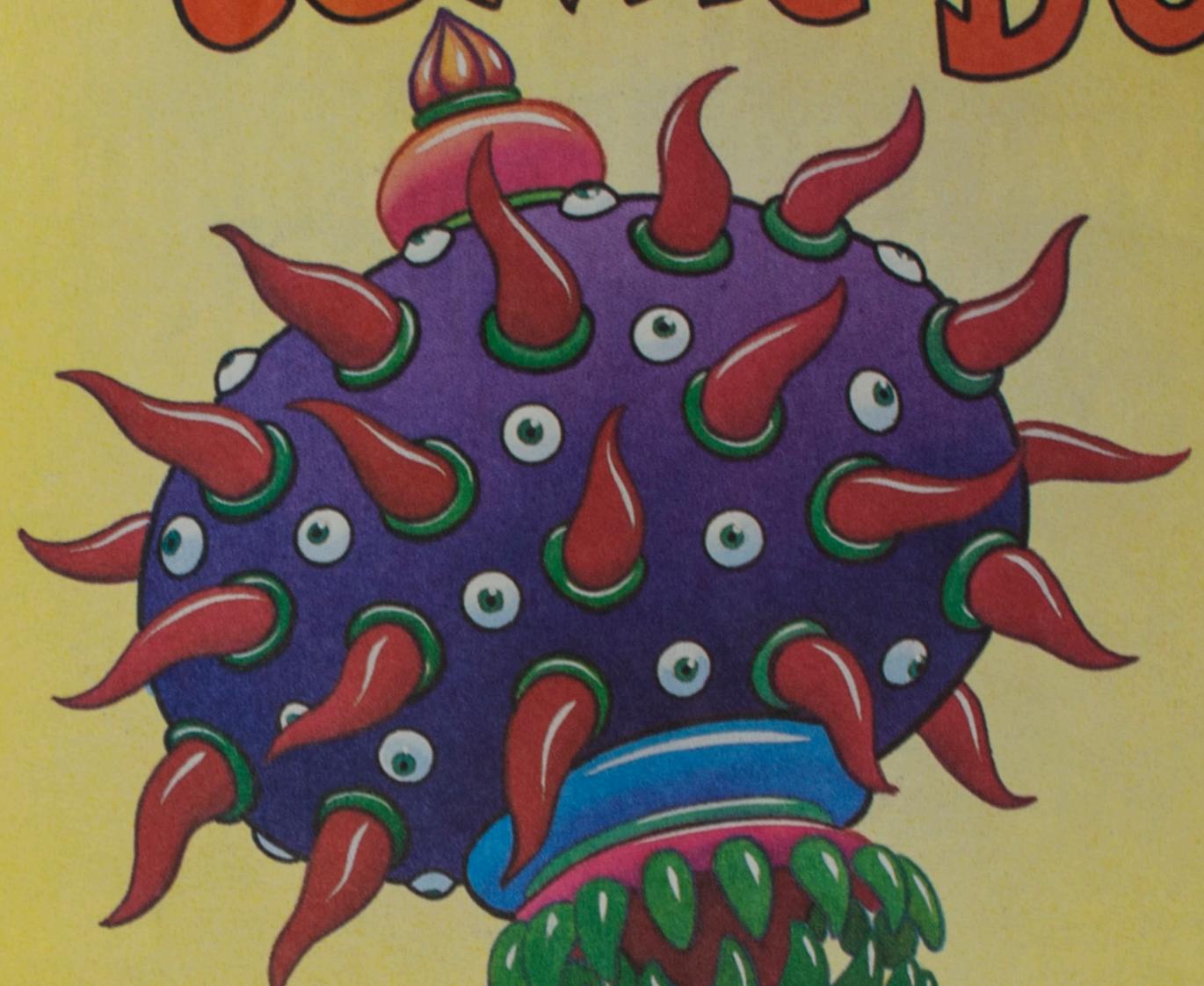


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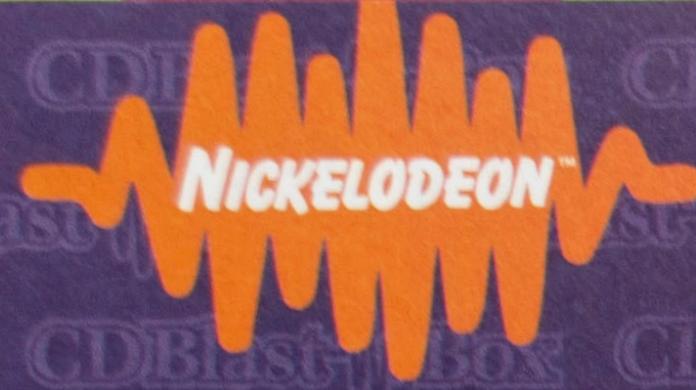
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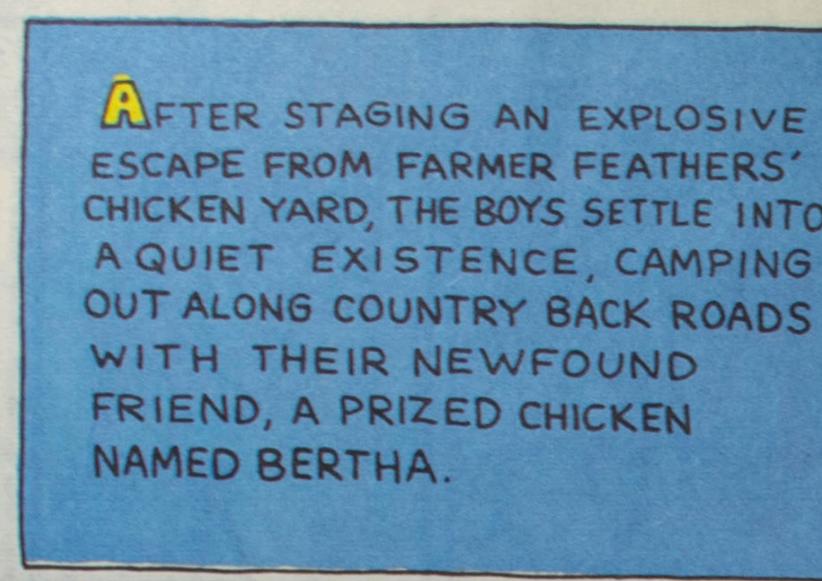


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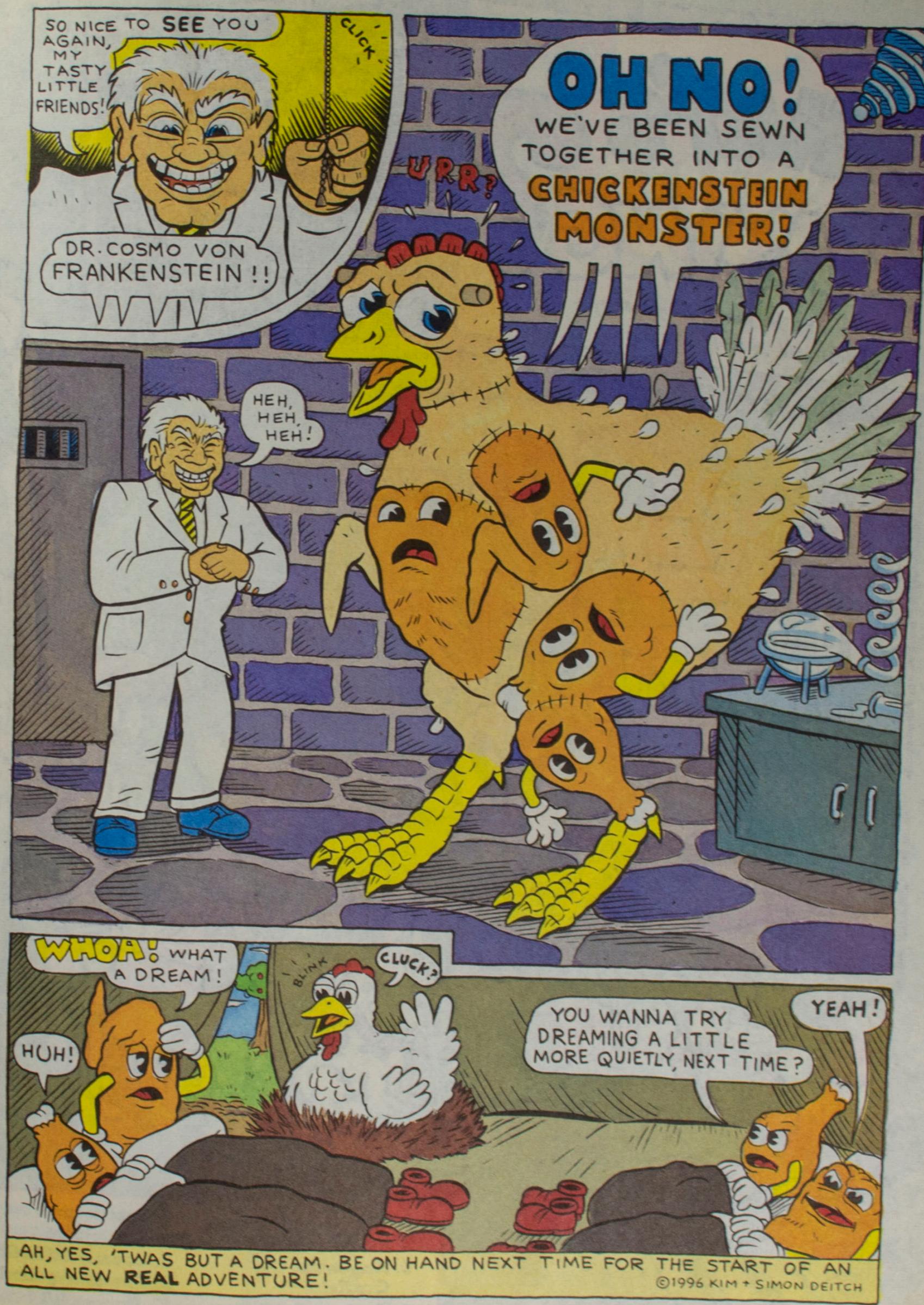
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Written by Robert Leighton  
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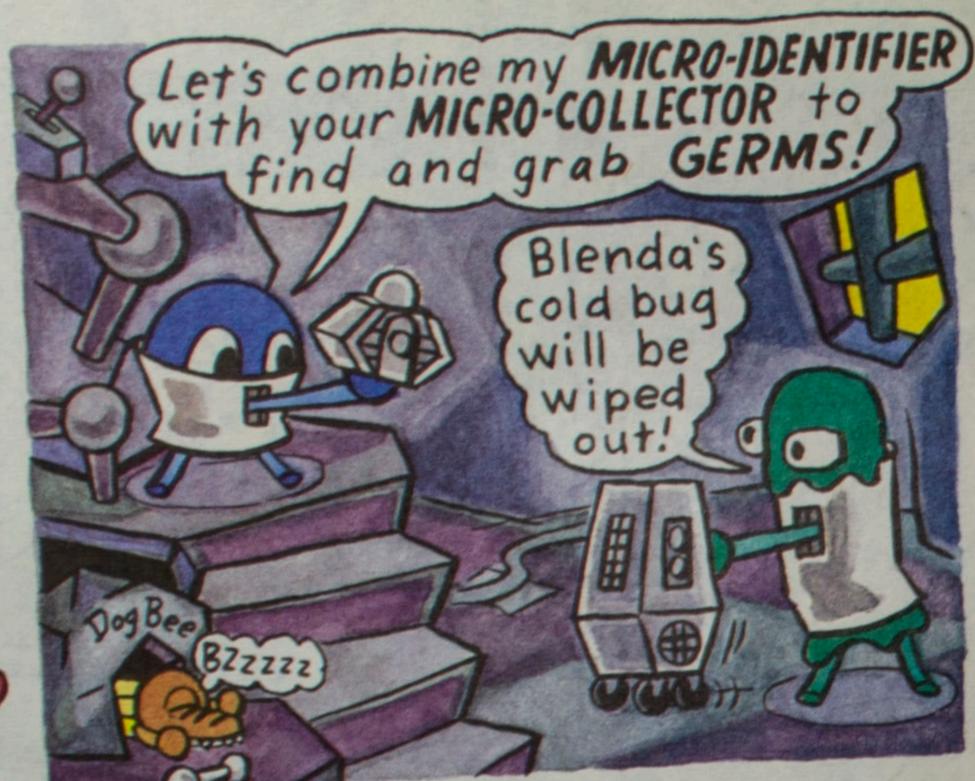
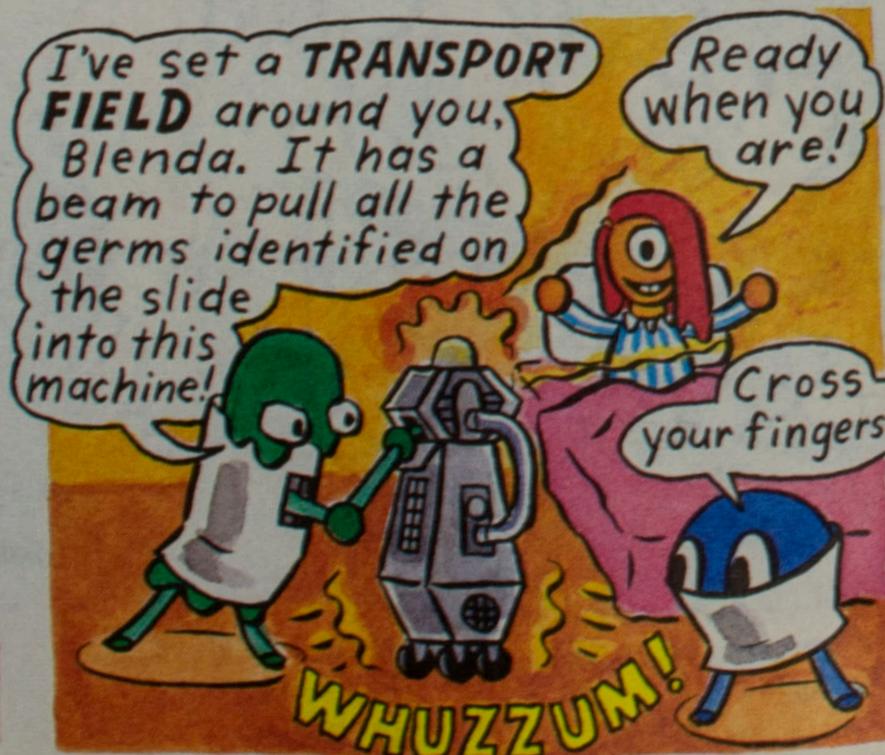
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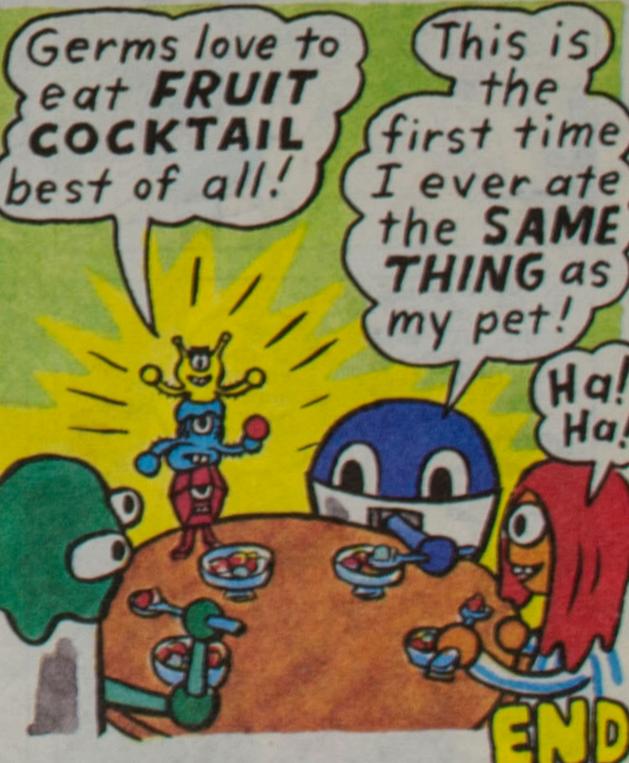


But, like a SNAKE or a RAT, we can make nice pets!

All you have to do is FEED US, and we're happy!



Well, as a matter of fact...



This is the first time I ever ate the SAME THING as my pet!

Ha! Ha!

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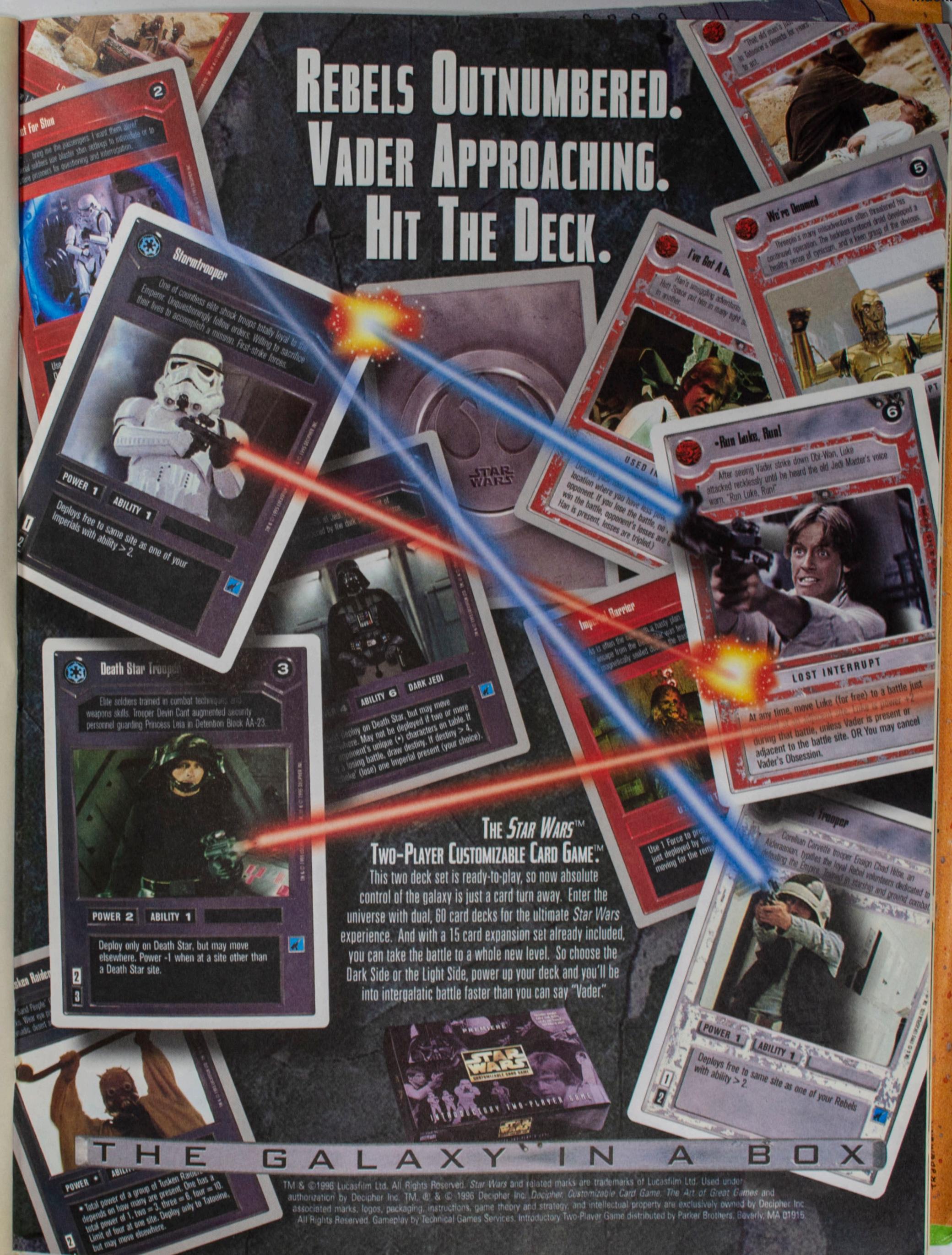
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**Roger Ebert:** In 1980, we flipped a coin and it was supposed to be *Siskel & Ebert* for two years and then *Ebert & Siskel* for the next two years. But the producers never made good on the deal.

NM: Is your thumb insured?

**Ebert:** I don't really need a thumb in order to give a

NM: Have you guys ever thumb-wrestled?

**Ebert:** Never. We only wrestle with ideas.

NM: Does it upset you when people mix you two up?

**Ebert:** Sometimes. Remember, Ebert is the good-looking one.

**Siskel:** Not unless my wife does.

NM: What's the best kid's movie ever made?

**Ebert:** It might be *The Wizard of Oz*.

**Siskel:** Maybe one of the Disney animated features. I'm a big fan of *The Little Mermaid*. And I like *Cinderella* and *Beauty and the Beast* a lot.

NM: How many movies do you've seen in

I say eight or nine movies.

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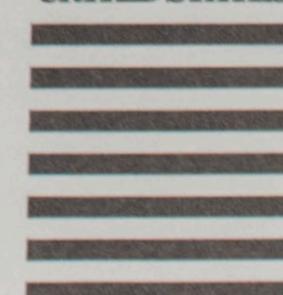
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# Thumbs Up for Siskel and Ebert

Gene Siskel and Roger Ebert review movies on TV and in newspapers. ROBIN SAYERS asked them thumb questions. **R**

Nickelodeon Magazine: Why is your show called *Siskel & Ebert* and not *Ebert & Siskel*?

**Roger Ebert:** In 1980, we flipped a coin and it was supposed to be *Siskel & Ebert* for two years and then *Ebert & Siskel* for the next two years. But the producers never made good on the deal.

NM: Is your thumb insured?

**Ebert:** I don't really need a thumb in order to give a "thumbs up." I should actually insure my mouth.

**Gene Siskel:** My thumb isn't insured, but it is trademarked. And that's just the right thumb. My left thumb is a stunt double.

NM: When did the thumb thing start?

**Ebert:** About 10 years ago, we were looking for a new way to rate the movies and I suggested that we do "thumbs up." Ancient Romans used to go "thumbs up" or "thumbs down" in the Coliseum [to determine whether or not the winning gladiator should kill his opponent].

NM: Have you guys ever thumb-wrestled?

**Ebert:** Never. We only wrestle with ideas.

NM: Does it upset you when people mix you two up?

**Ebert:** Sometimes. Remember, Ebert is the good-looking one.

**Siskel:** Not unless my wife does.

NM: What's the best kid's movie ever made?

**Ebert:** It might be *The Wizard of Oz*.

**Siskel:** Maybe one of the Disney animated features. I'm a big fan of *The Little Mermaid*. And I like *Beauty and the Beast* a great deal.

NM: How many movies do you think you've seen in your life?

**Ebert:** I would say eight or nine thousand movies.

**Siskel:** Six more than Roger.

NM: What's your favorite trailer [sneak preview]?

**Siskel:** I don't like trailers because I don't want to see



Siskel (left) and Ebert



scenes before I see the picture. So if one pops up, I close my eyes, I put my hands over my ears, and hum.

**NM:** What is your favorite snack at the movies?

**Ebert:** I like Hot Tamales and Sugar Babies.

**Siskel:** Mason Dots.

**NM:** What would improve the design of a movie theater the most?

**Ebert:** Stadium-style seating, which is where each seat is a step higher than the one in front of it. That way, every single person can see the screen directly without having to look over anyone who is tall or has a big hat on or something.

**Siskel:** Thicker armrests. I hate those skinny armrests because they cut into your elbows, even if you can get it away from the guy next to you.

**NM:** Do you worry about hurting people's feelings when you say that their movie is bad?

**Ebert:** Yes, I do. And often the actors are innocent victims of badly made movies, and they are the people who take the blame.

**Siskel:** I certainly don't mean personal harm to anyone. But at the same time I don't feel bad. That's my job.

**NM:** Have you ever returned a movie to the video store not rewound?

**Ebert:** Probably, but I wouldn't want to confess to it.

**Siskel:** No, I'm the kind of guy who rewinds. I am polite.

**NM:** Okay, you're stuck on a desert island: Jujubes or Milk Duds?

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Milk Bones.

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	1 V&A Opening 1852 1851 1200-1 Linqua	2 Hans Christian Andersen, Danish writer, 1805 He was a great Dane.	3 Washington Irving born, 1783 Take a long nap.	4 Maya Angelou, poet, born, 1928 Her mother said, "Maya Little Angel-out."	5 Pocahontas marries John Rolle, 1614 They were cano-lyweds.	6 Robert E. Peary reaches North Pole, 1909 He got a chilly reception.
	7 William Wordsworth, English poet, born 1770 How much are his Wordsworth?	8 Hank Aaron breaks Babe Ruth's home-run record, 1974 How Brave of him!	9 First public library in U.S. opens in Peterborough, New Hampshire, 1833 It was way overdue.	10 John Madden, sports announcer, born, 1936 Boom! Bang! Doink!	11 Sing in the rain.	12 David Letterman born, 1947 Stay up late. Passover begins
	13 Thomas Jefferson born, 1743 Declare your independence.	14 Charlie Chaplin born, 1889 Silence!	15 The Titanic sinks, 1912 Avoid iceberg lettuce.	16 William Shakespeare born, 1564 He decided to be.	17 You can talk now.	18 Paul Revere makes his midnight ride, 1775 The 19th is coming! The 19th is coming!
	19 The American Revolution begins, 1775 Be revolutionary.	20 Zodiac sign Taurus begins Be love-a-bull.	21 David Justice, baseball player, born, 1966 And just in time.	22 Earth Day Happy Earth Day to you.	23 Ella Fitzgerald, singer, born, 1918 Scat!	24 Do some spring-cleaning.
	25 National Arbor Day Remember: Good things come in trees.	26 Samuel Morse, inventor of the telegraph, born, 1791 Wear dots and run a hundred-yard dash.	27 City of Rome founded, 753 BC There's no place like Rome.	28 Maryland becomes 7th state, 1788 Mary had a little lamb.	29 Andre Agassi born, 1970 Spend time near a Brooke.	30 Last day of April Say good-bye to April showers.

# ~FLIP BOOK~

This series of frames is from one of Thomas Edison's first "moving pictures." It was made in 1894, and shows an Edison employee, named Fred Ott, sneezing. (Ott-choo!)

## MOVING PICTURES

When you watch a movie in a theater, you're actually seeing a lot of still photographs. Every second, you see 24 slightly different images, shown one after another so quickly that your eyes can't tell where one ends and the next begins. During a full-length movie, you view more than 130,000 still images on a one-and-a-half-mile-long strip of film.

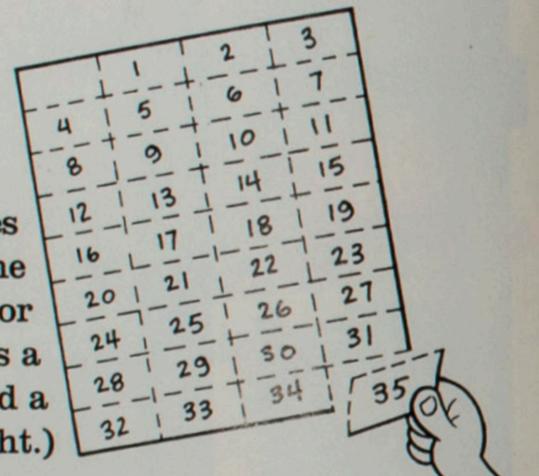
A flip book is like a movie because it's made up of a lot of single still pictures. But instead of being on different frames of film, the pictures are on separate pages. When the pages are flipped fast enough, they appear as one moving image.



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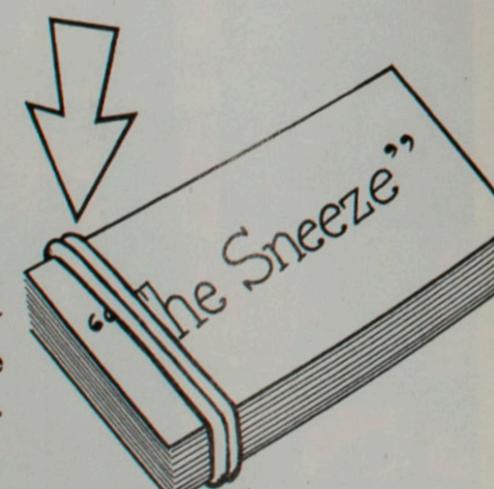


1 Carefully tear the whole page out along the dotted line.



2 Cut each of the pages of the flip book along the dotted lines. (Except for the cover, each page has a number on the left and a photo on the right.)

3 Stack the pages in a pile, putting #35 of "The Sneeze" on the bottom and going up to #1. Then put the cover on top.



4 Wrap a rubber band tightly around the left-hand edge of the book.

5 Hold the left-hand edge of the book with your left hand. With your right hand, run your thumb along the edge of the book to quickly flip the pages. Watch the action.

6 Turn the book over and repeat Step 5 to see the second part of our double feature, "Pete's Knees."

### "The Sneeze"



# ~FLIP BOOK~

This series of photos shows former NICKELODEON MAGAZINE designer Peter Gatto demonstrating a real knee-slapper.



## A Little History of the Big Screen



**1824: The opening scene** English doctor Peter Mark Roget discovers that when the eye sees 16 slightly different drawings within one second, they appear as one moving picture. If there are fewer than 16, the pictures become blurry and the motion looks choppy.

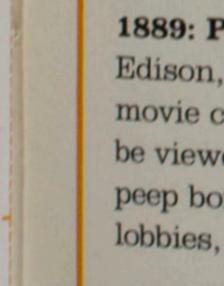
**1827: Say cheese!** In France, Joseph Nicéphore Niépce takes the world's first photograph.



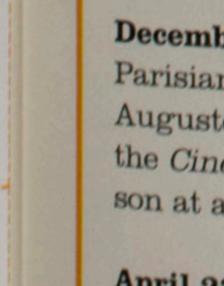
**1878: Not horsing around** Photographer Eadweard Muybridge shoots 12 continuous pictures of a running horse. When viewed one after another very quickly, the horse appears to move (left).



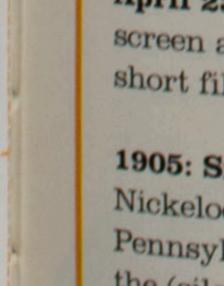
**1888: Worth developing** George Eastman patents rolls of celluloid film. The film is clear and flexible; it will lead to modern-day movie cameras and film projectors.



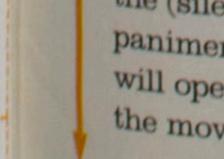
**1889: Peephole loved it** While employed by Thomas Edison, William Dickson invents the first working movie camera, the kinetograph. Early movies can only be viewed by one person at a time on kinetoscopes—or peep boxes. By 1895, peep boxes can be found in hotel lobbies, stores, and parlors across the United States.



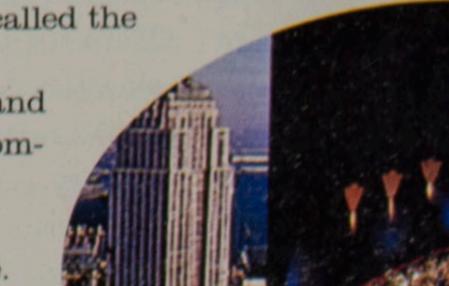
**December 28, 1895: An audience is born** Thirty-three Parisians pay to watch 10 short films made by Auguste and Louis Lumière. The brothers' invention, the Cinématographe projector, lets more than one person at a time watch a movie.



**April 23, 1896: Down in front!** The first movies on a screen are viewed in the United States when several short films are shown in New York City.



**1905: Small change** A movie theater called the Nickelodeon opens in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Tickets cost five cents, and the (silent) movies have live piano accompaniment. Within a year, nickelodeons will open across the country. Going to the movies becomes a national pastime.



**1927: Ssshh!** A combined record player/movie projector adds sound to the movies. The first full-length movie with music and dialogue is *The Jazz Singer* in 1927. There are only 291 spoken words in the entire movie. The first words are "Wait a minute, wait a minute. You ain't heard nothin' yet."



**1931: On the right track** By this time, most movies have a soundtrack printed on the edge of the film. A new projector is used to read it and turn it into sound.

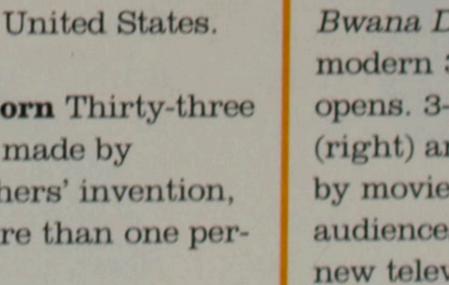


**1933: Honk-honk for Hollywood** The first drive-in theater opens near Camden, New Jersey. It costs a quarter per car, plus a quarter for each passenger (above, right).

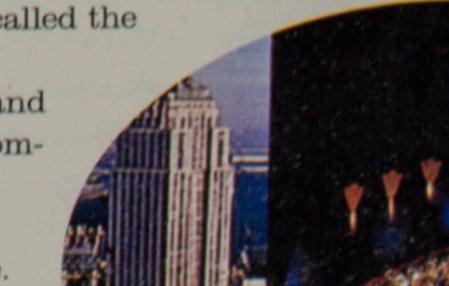


**1935: Turning colors** *Becky Sharp* (above, left), the first modern color movie, premieres.

**1952: Spectacle-ular** *Bwana Devil*, the first modern 3-D movie, opens. 3-D movies (right) are an attempt by movie studios to lure audiences away from their new televisions.



**1975: Fast-forward** Sony introduces the first videotape machine (or VCR). It costs \$2,295.



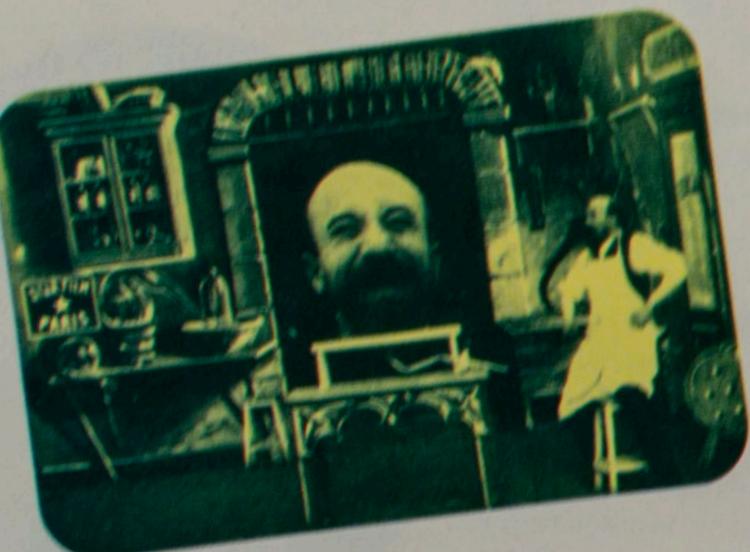
**1994: IMAX-imum experience** The first commercial IMAX theater (left) opens in New York City. The Sony-IMAX Theatre has the largest 3-D screen in the world (80 feet high and 100 feet wide).

# FLICK TRICKS

The real story behind great movie effects.

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**SPECIAL EFFECTS** can be costly or cheap. Early moviemakers made snow from cornflakes and blood out of chocolate syrup. Today, multimillion-dollar effects are created mostly by computers. But no matter how complicated they are, most great effects start with one clever idea. Here are the secrets behind some amazing scenes.



*A head of his time*

**THE MAN WITH THE RUBBER HEAD (1902)**

Georges Méliès (above), a French magician, was the first master of trick photography. He made more than 500 short movies. Most of them were filmed in a special studio, equipped with trap doors, mirrors, wires, and pulleys. He also developed camera effects such as multiple exposures. For a double exposure, a scene is shot, then the film is rewound in the camera. A new scene is then shot with the *same* film. When the film is developed and projected, all the images look like they are happening at the same time.

*The notion of stop-motion*  
**KING KONG (1933)**

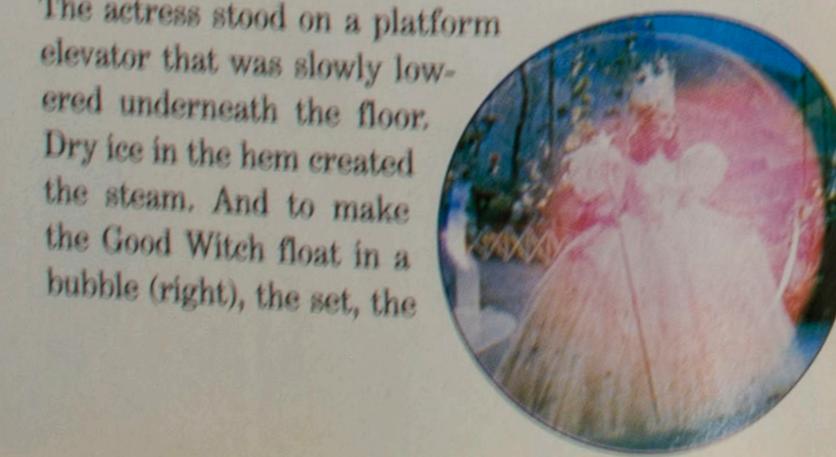
In *King Kong*, a large hand was built for scary close-ups (above right). But Kong wasn't scary at all—he was only 18 inches tall (top)! This small bendable figure had a metal frame and was covered with foam rubber and rabbit fur. The action was filmed one frame at a time (the mini-Kong was moved a little bit for each new shot). When projected at normal speed, he appeared to be alive. This process is called stop-motion animation.

*Heavy sock warning*

**THE WIZARD OF OZ (1939)**

This film is full of tricks. The tornado was really a 35-foot-long cloth wind sock. And how did the Wicked Witch melt? The hem of her dress was spread out and nailed to the floor.

The actress stood on a platform elevator that was slowly lowered underneath the floor. Dry ice in the hem created the steam. And to make the Good Witch float in a bubble (right), the set, the

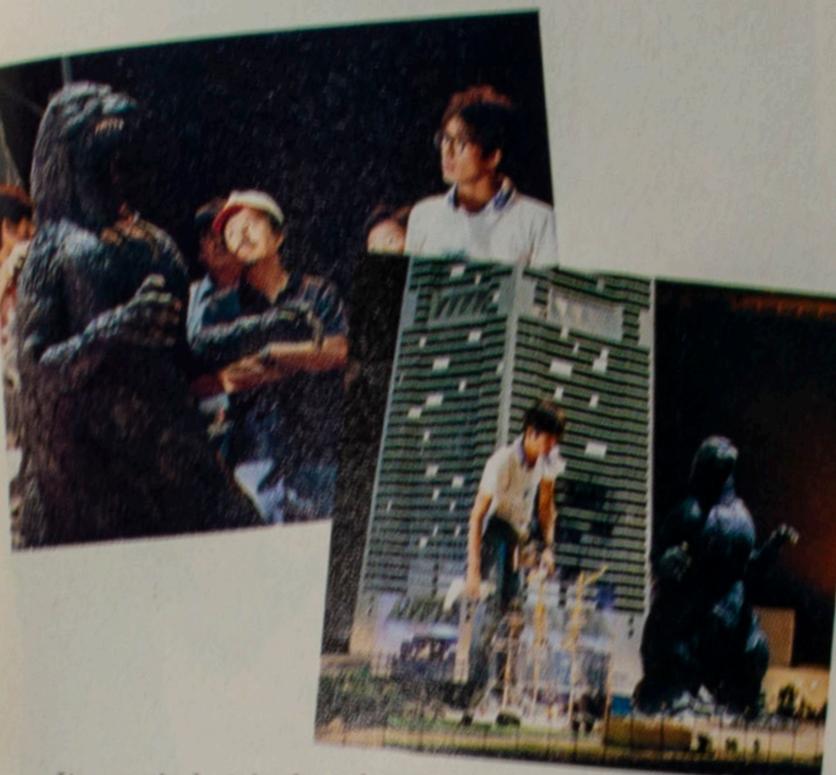


*The tooth truth*  
**JAWS (1975)**

actress, and a silver ball were each filmed separately. Then the three pieces of film were combined into a single image.



*It sure is hot in here!*



**THE GODZILLA MOVIES (1954-1995)**

In most scenes, Godzilla was played by a man in a rubberized suit (above). A new suit was designed for each of the 22 Godzilla movies. An actor was filmed stomping around a miniature set. Godzilla fans call this low-tech method of filmmaking "suitimation." The sound of the creature's roar was made by a bass fiddle that was altered electronically.



*It takes labor to create a saber*  
**STAR WARS (1977)**

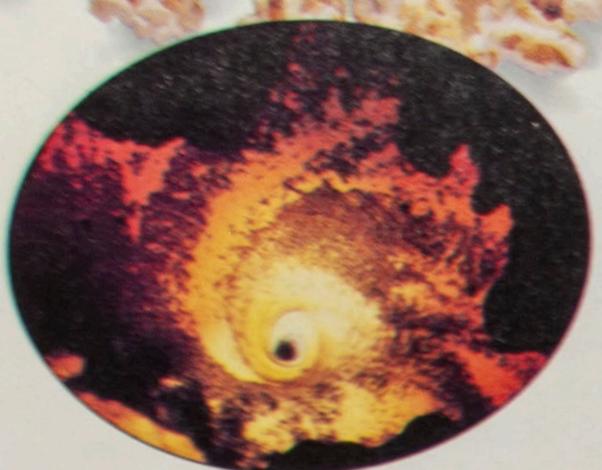
To create the illusion of light sabers, the director shot the scene with rods covered with a special material used for making reflective highway signs. While shooting, the crew tried shining lamps on the sabers, but they didn't glow enough. So on film, they brightened the light sabers with hand-drawn animation. Each frame of these scenes was projected onto a sheet of clear plastic, so artists could trace the images and add the beams.



*An alien concept*  
**E.T. THE EXTRA-TERRESTRIAL (1982)**

E.T. was a three-foot tall remote-controlled puppet. The head had eyes and nostrils that opened and closed, a neck that stretched up and down, and pulsating veins. But the body couldn't move much. In scenes where E.T. had to walk, a small person wore a rubber suit, with crew members remote-controlling the long and skinny arms. A mime wearing a latex glove did the close-up hand scenes.





*A whole lotta lava*

## INDIANA JONES AND THE TEMPLE OF DOOM

(1984)

In the early days of film, lava was often made out of oatmeal and food coloring. But times changed. The filmmakers on *Indiana Jones* (above) tried dyed vanilla pudding, but it didn't look right. They ended up using a syrupy substance called glycerin and methyl cellulose, a chemical that's used to thicken liquids.



*A face only an audience  
could love*

## THE MASK (1994)

To create this film's cartoonish effects, Jim Carrey wore a green mask that had 17 separate sections, flexible enough for him to make lots of silly expressions. Then—without props—he had to mime his actions, such as swallowing dynamite. Computer artists later added the objects on the film and, in some scenes, drew a new chin, eyeballs, or other features that perfectly matched the rest of his face (above).



*Honey, I blew up the props!*

## HONEY, I SHRUNK THE KIDS (1989)

One way to make characters look very small is to photograph them with jumbo props. Giant Cheerios (above) were made out of tractor tires sprayed with foam. Balloons were stuck into the wet surface, and when the foam dried, the balloons were popped, leaving holes. The tires were then cut in half to make two pieces. The cereal was floated in a swimming pool filled with water that was dyed white. The actor was strapped into an underwater harness and the scene was filmed. Later, this was combined with footage of a normal-sized cereal bowl. The two different shots were put in an optical printer, which combines more than one piece of film into a single image.



*If pigs could talk...*

BABE (1995)

The role of Babe (below) was played by 48 different piglets. For a few scenes, animatronic pigs (remote-controlled mechanical puppets) were used. So many *real* piglets were needed because

each pig was good at a  
different thing—some were  
excellent sitters and  
others better at running. After the animals  
were filmed,  
computer-generated  
mouths were added  
to make them appear  
to talk.

Coming soon...a monsoon

JUMANJI (1995)

To make Robin Williams sink into quicksand, film makers cut away a section of the floor and lowered him on a platform. Then, the missing floor was painted in on a computer (bottom).

For the monsoon scene, an entire set was built inside a giant wave tank. The 15-foot animatronic (remote-controlled) crocodile had to be very strong, since Robin Williams had to ride it. One way the designers tested the crocodile's strength was by putting a stool in its mouth. When they powered-up the fake crocodile, it was so strong that it flung the stool across the room.



# BUGGING OUT!



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James and the Giant Peach is a new movie that rolls into theaters this month. It's based on the classic book by Roald Dahl.

NICKELODEON MAGAZINE talked to the director, Henry Selick.

**Nickelodeon Magazine:** You used stop-motion animation in this movie. What is it?

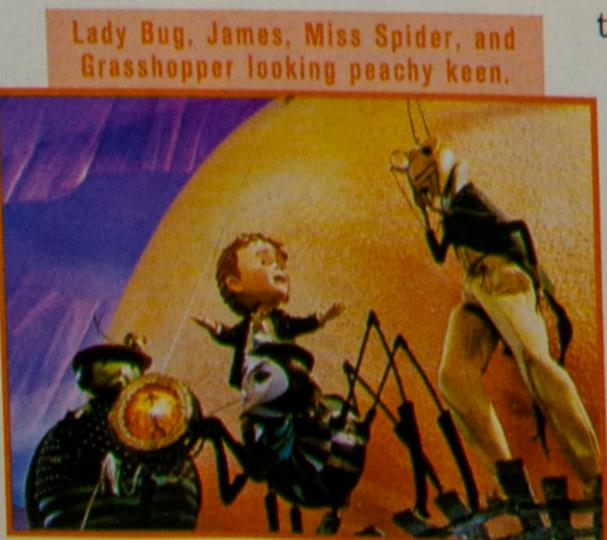
**Henry Selick:** It's a cousin to regular animation. Most animation, like *The Lion King* or *The Ren & Stimpy Show*, is drawn. Those are cartoons. But stop-motion is when three-dimensional objects are photographed one frame at a time on movie film. We use figures that bend and move. They're basically like a Gumby doll; they have wires in them that let you shape them. After each frame, we move them just a little bit. When all these photographs are put together in a movie, you get the illusion of motion.

**NM:** How long does it take to make a stop-motion movie?

**HS:** It takes one week of work just to make one minute of movie time. And that's with 120 people working on it.

**NM:** How big are the figures in *James and the Giant Peach*?

**HS:** Lady Bug is the smallest, she's eight inches tall. Grasshopper is the biggest, he's 17 inches tall. If they're too big, they fall over; if they're too small, we can't give them enough details.



Lady Bug, James, Miss Spider, and Grasshopper looking peachy keen.

**NM:** How big is the peach?

**HS:** There's not just one. We built more than 50 peaches. The smallest is three inches. The biggest is 20 feet in diameter and weighs more than 2,000 pounds.

**NM:** Who's your favorite bug?

**HS:** I love them all. I like Earthworm. He's such a coward and pessimist. But by the end, he helps James to be confident.

**NM:** What's the best thing about working with stop-motion figures?

**HS:** They don't talk back. Just kidding. The best part is that you can touch your creations. Unlike cartoon animation, which is just drawings.

**NM:** Can you tell us a secret behind one special effect?

**HS:** There's a scene (it's not in the book, we added it to the story) where Centipede has to get a compass from a sunken pirate ship. We never filmed underwater. We shot the film through what we call a "ripple glass," and that makes everything look wavy, like you're underwater. Then we filmed bubbles in water and added them later.

Centipede looks to get a leg up on the others.



**NM:** Were any scenes especially hard to do?

**HS:** The battle with the imaginary rhinoceros in the clouds. And when the big shark attacks the peach in the ocean and tries to eat it.

**NM:** How did you get started in animation?

**HS:** As a kid I loved both animation and drawing. I made little flip books when I was six or seven years old. Flip books are like primitive movies,\* and I would draw them on the edges of notebooks or pads of paper. I was always drawing animals, making them walk or run or turn into one another.

**NM:** How did you learn to make animated movies?

**HS:** In school. Everything you learn helps you.

**NM:** What were you like when you were 12 years old?

**HS:** I was quiet. I really loved being outdoors and I liked animals—everything from bears to insects. I had lots of pets. I even had a pet alligator; it was always trying to take off my finger.

**NM:** Did you doodle in class?

**HS:** Yes, I drew all the time. It worried my parents.

**NM:** How old were you when you made your first animated movie?

**HS:** Twenty. I cut some photos out of magazines and filmed them. I'd move them just a bit each time so they looked like they were moving.

**NM:** What's your favorite crayon color?

**HS:** Yellow or gold.

**NM:** What's your favorite fruit?

**HS:** Peaches.

Lady Bug mugs for the camera.



Is Brad Pitt in this movie?

## The Boy With the Bugs

The part of James (both real and animated) is played by 10-year-old Paul Terry. He lives in England, and this is his first movie.



Paul Terry (right) with director Henry Selick.

**Nickelodeon Magazine:**

What was it like to see yourself made into a doll?

**Paul Terry:** Really weird, because it didn't look quite like me. But it was me. I wasn't prepared for it. But I was happy.

**NM:** Do you have a favorite bug in the movie?

**PT:** I liked Centipede, because he is always boastful and proud and funny. I like his accent. And I like Lady Bug because she's very kind and helpful.

**NM:** What was the funniest part of making the movie?

**PT:** I was climbing a tree to pick a peach and I had to say the line, "Don't worry, I won't get hurt." And as I said that, a part of the camera fell on my head. I almost needed stitches.

**NM:** What's your favorite fruit?

**PT:** Melons or pomegranates.





## news

All about Nickelodeon

# ERUPTIVE OLD WINE

**Kenan Thompson** and **Kel Mitchell** aren't just costars on Nickelodeon's *All That*. They are also good friends. While working on the show, they live in the same apartment building in Orlando, Florida. When they aren't taping the show, they visit each other at home (Kenan is from Atlanta, Georgia, and Kel is from Chicago, Illinois). NICKELODEON MAGAZINE spoke to Kenan and Kel to find out if they're still as close as ever.

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NM: Which basketball team is your favorite?

KT: I'm dedicated to the Hawks because they are my home team. But I also like Chicago and Orlando.

**Nickelodeon Magazine:** Are you and Kenan like Jim Carrey and Jeff Daniels in *Dumb and Dumber*, or like Abbott

**Nickelodeon Magazine:** If there were a Kel sandwich, what would it be?  
**Kenan Thompson:** A fried-fish sandwich with ketchup.

Good Burger. I said, "Yes." Then he said, "Well, my sister wants to meet you." I said, "Okay, but let me wash my

**NM:** Do you and Kenan ever fight?  
**KM:** Yeah. We're just like brothers. But it's never a real fight

**NM:** What's your favorite sandwich?  
**KM:** Bread, mayonnaise, and an omelet melted in the microwave. I call it the Kel Double Decker Delight.

**NM:** What do you do besides acting?  
**KM:** I'm a dog...

- Favorite food: Spaghetti
- Number of sisters: Two, ages 2 and 23
- Pet: A turtle named Imani
- Favorite movies: *The Last Dragon* and *Stand by Me*
- Birthdays: August 26

**Kel on Kenan**

**Nickelodeon Magazine:** If there were a Kenan sandwich, what would be on it?  
**Kel Mitchell:** Everything. Kenan eats everything. It would definitely include chocolate. He stayed at my house one time and woke up early in the morning and ate Oreo cookies and milk.

**Kenan on Kel**



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## RUMPY OLD MEN

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Mavis and Clavis

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NM: On *All That*, you play Randy, who hosts a cooking show. Do you know how to cook?

KT: No, not at all.

NM: How do the chocolate props taste?

KT: Good, but eating all that chocolate gets a little boring after a while.

NM: Do you like wearing a leotard and tights when you portray Super Dude?

KT: No.

NM: What's in your pocket right now?

KT: My keys, a pen, a pencil, Blistex, and 65 cents.

### Super Dude



**Kenan Thompson**

Nickelodeon Magazine: Who's the coolest person you've met on the show?

Kenan Thompson: Probably Sinbad. I've always looked up to him, ever since I became interested in acting when I was five years old.

NM: Which is your favorite character to play on *All That*?

KT: Mavis. He's just the most fun.

NM: Are you like Mavis?

KT: Not at all. He's about 70 years older than I am. He has a hearing problem, and a lot more hair than I do.

NM: What do you do besides acting?

KT: I sing a little bit in my spare time. And I play basketball and hockey.

NM: Which basketball team is your favorite?

KT: I'm dedicated to the Hawks because they are my home team. But I also like Chicago and Orlando.

NM: What do you and Kel do when you hang out?

KT: We hang out and talk.

### Ed the Good Burger guy

**Kel Mitchell**

Nickelodeon Magazine: Are you and Kenan like Jim Carrey and Jeff Daniels in *Dumb and Dumber*, or like Abbott

Good Burger. I said, "Yes." Then he said, "Well, my sister wants to meet you." I said, "Okay, but let me wash my hands first."

NM: Do you and Kenan ever fight?

KM: Yeah. We're just like brothers. But it's never a real fight.

NM: What's your favorite sandwich?

KM: Bread, mayonnaise, and an omelet melted in the microwave. I call it the Kel Double Decker Delight.

NM: What do you do besides acting?

KM: I'm a dancer and a rapper [he has a group called After-Matt].

Nickelodeon Magazine: If there were a Kenan sandwich, what would be on it?

Kel Mitchell: Everything. Kenan eats everything. It would definitely include chocolate. He stayed at my house one time and woke up early in the morning and ate Oreo cookies and milk.

### Kei on Kenan



**Kei on Kenan**

Nickelodeon Magazine: If there were a Kel sandwich, what would it be?

Kenan Thompson: A fried-fish sandwich with ketchup.

### Kenan on Kel

Nickelodeon Magazine: If there were a Nickelodeon sandwich, what would it be?

Ed the Good Burger guy: I was Ed from

# Who's Woo?



**The Mystery Files of Shelby Woo** stars Irene Ng (pronounced *ung*) as Shelby Woo, a 16-year-old wanna-be detective who lives with her grandfather in Cocoa Beach, Florida. After school, Shelby works as a clerk at the local police station, where she uses her computer to help solve crimes.

You can match wits with Shelby every Sunday evening at 6 PM.\*



Get ready for *Shelby Woo* by trying to solve this short mystery written by NICKELODEON MAGAZINE's Maria Rosado.

## FIND THAT FORMULA

"I can't believe I'm missing soccer for this," Bob muttered as he trailed behind his mother, Detective Ravel, into the library of chemist Mathias Guizmeau. Bob's mother had been driving him to a game when she got the robbery call over the radio. The police said Mathias had been working on a secret formula when a robber ambushed him. Mathias had been rushed to the hospital, unconscious, and the formula was missing.

The crime scene was in chaos. Officers were struggling with a woman, and the library was a mess. Dozens of locked file cabinets lined the walls, but some hung open. Papers were scattered everywhere.

"Wow, the robber did all this?" Bob asked in awe. It looked worse than his locker.

"No, I did," the woman snarled. She was Mathias' boss, Priscilla Argus. Priscilla had discovered the crime and, after calling the police, had ripped the place apart searching for the formula. "We were going to reveal it at a press conference today. Mathias wouldn't tell anyone the formula until then—not even me," she said. "It's not even on copies of his speech."

Mathias had been rehearsing that speech on tape when the robber arrived. Moments before losing consciousness, Mathias had managed to leave a message on the tape. Bob

joined the others as they listened closely. "Hid...formula...key..." Mathias had moaned. "Con...trolls...shiff...tea...hit..." Then the tape went dead.

Priscilla rattled a huge set of keys. "I found these on the desk and already tried them on some of the file cabinets. We have to find the formula *right now!*"

Bob slid into a chair behind Mathias' computer. A copy of the speech filled the screen. Sure enough, the formula was missing. Bob reached for the keyboard. "I wonder if there's a game loaded on this thing."

"Get that snot-nosed little brat out of here," Priscilla hissed.

"Bob is not little," his mother snapped.

Priscilla shrugged. "There's no time for this. We have to test those keys on anything with a lock!"

Bob didn't really want to help Priscilla, but there was an important reason to crack this case fast.

"Don't worry. I know where the formula is hidden and which keys Mathias used to hide it," Bob said. "Hey, maybe I won't be late for the game after all."

**Where did Mathias hide the formula?**

**Answer on page 53.**

## What's New on Nick



### Why Is This Rugrats Different From All Other Rugrats?

Tommy's grandfather Boris tells the Rugrats the story of Passover after they get trapped in his attic on *The Rugrats Passover Special*. The episode airs on Saturday, March 30, at 7:30 PM; Tuesday, April 2, at 6:30 PM; and Sunday, April 7, at 10 AM.

### Hangin' With Mark Curry

*All That* will be all new in April. First-run episodes, featuring guest stars such as Mark Curry, will air each Saturday at 8:30 PM.

### Rocko Recycles

Celebrate Earth Day by watching an environmentally friendly episode of *Rocko's Modern Life* on Sunday, April 21, at 7:30 PM. Rocko and other residents of O-Town begin a recycling campaign, and go after the town's biggest polluter—Conglomo.

### It's Your Choice

*Nickelodeon's 9th Annual Kids' Choice Awards* airs on Saturday, May 11, at 8 PM. Voting for categories, such as Favorite Movie and Favorite TV Show, takes place each week starting April 6 during SNICK.

\* All times are for eastern and Pacific time zones. Shows air one hour earlier in the central time zone. Shows subject to change. Check your local listing for details.

# I, Spy

Michelle Trachtenberg plays Nona, Little Pete's friend on *The Adventures of Pete and Pete*. This summer, she will costar with Rosie O'Donnell in Nickelodeon Movies' first feature film, *Harriet the Spy*. The movie is based on the book by Louise Fitzhugh. It's the story of Harriet Welsch, an 11-year-old amateur spy who writes her observations in a secret notebook.

Nickelodeon Magazine: How did you become an actress?

Michelle Trachtenberg: I started doing commercials when I was three.

NM: How are you similar to Harriet?  
MT: We both love to read and to write. And we both love tomato sandwiches. I start with white bread, then put the tomato on, then the white bread. Then I smash it closed. Then, I open it, and add salt. Then I smash it closed. Then I open it, and add vinegar. Then I smash it closed and eat it. I ate it every morning when I was making the movie.

NM: Do you like to snoop like Harriet?  
MT: Yes.

NM: What was it like making a movie with Rosie O'Donnell?

MT: A lot of fun. One day for lunch there was a bowl of cherries. Well, all of a sudden I felt something hit me. Rosie had spit a cherry pit at me. She got me three times in the head. But I got her once, boom, right in the face.

NM: What part does Rosie play?  
MT: She's Golly, Harriet's nanny and mentor.

NM: What's your favorite memory of making the movie?  
MT: Being covered with blue paint,



which is from a scene in art class. One of the girls dumps a big, big pot of blue paint all over me.

NM: Did you teach yourself to burp?  
MT: Yes. My friend showed me how to swallow air. Look! [She burps.]

PS.

Birthday: October 11, 1985  
Hometown: Brooklyn, New York  
Pets: One cat, Casey Kika  
Siblings: One sister, 17  
Favorite movies: *Batman Forever*, *Grease*, *The Mask*

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I'm QZ

(that's short for QZXLXZQ), and I'm from the planet Zlttz. I know about everything in the universe and a lot about some other places, too. So ask me a question about anything, and I'll give you cosmic clarification.



## Dear Alien

Dear QZ:  
What is your favorite food on Earth?  
Lauren B.  
Lanham, Maryland

Lauren:  
The foods on Earth I most like to eat are the Sandwich Islands and Baked Alaska. If that doesn't fill me up, I also like Canada when it's Dry, the Big Apple, and anything Danish.

Dear QZ:  
Your feet look big. What size shoe would you have in the U.S.A.? Anna K.  
Okeechobee, Florida

Anna:  
Each foot takes a 25EE shoe, and I get those EE's from the word Okeechobee.

Do you have a question for QZ? Write to:  
Ask QZ  
NICKELODEON MAGAZINE  
1515 Broadway, 41st floor  
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Dear QZ:  
My dog has fleas. Will you be my pet?  
Jeanie B.  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Jeanie:  
Your dog has fleas, and you want me to be your pet, too?! To be honest, Jeanie, I'm not exactly itching to take you up on your offer.



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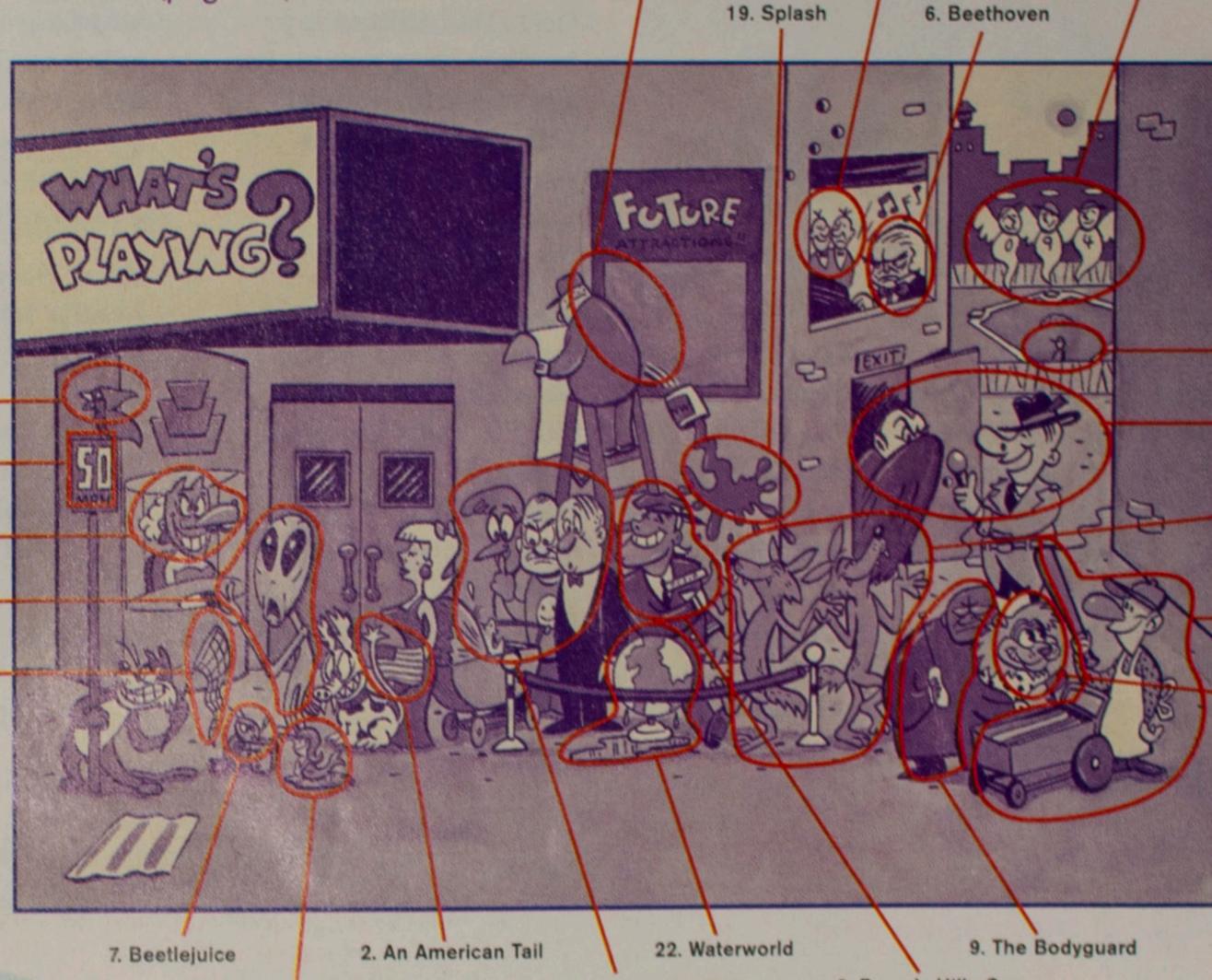
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### WHAT'S PLAYING? (page 28)



11. Home Alone  
12. Interview With the Vampire  
10. Dances With Wolves  
5. Batman  
13. The Lion King



This issue moved me.

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# whatever you want

## Say What?

From the November 1995 issue:

We asked you to give these people something to think and say. Here are our favorite entries.



**Man:** Hey! That's my yellow handkerchief!

**Woman:** Darn! He noticed!

**Girl:** Uh-oh! I have to blow my nose.

Beth O., age 12  
Richmond, Virginia

**Man:** Did that turkey just move?

**Woman:** It seems to be mooning us.

**Girl:** I finally have it under my power!

Michael C., age 10  
East Hartford, Connecticut

**Man:** Daniel, your science project is great!

**Woman:** How did he get flowers to grow from a turkey?

**Girl:** Dad thinks my brother is so smart. I'm the one who poured Miracle-Gro on the turkey.

Rachel F., age 12  
Duncanville, Texas

**Man:** Wow! That turkey sure looks delicious.

**Woman:** I wonder if they'll know it's really rubber?

**Girl:** Turkey, I'm going to win this staring contest.

Yasha N., age 9  
Arlington, Texas

**Man:** Son, twist the drumstick till you get to channel 11 and see if the game is on.

**Woman:** I can't believe what a great deal this edible turkey TV was.

**Girl:** This new turkey TV works great!

Megan L., age 12  
Cheshire, Connecticut

**Man:** Now, that's what I call a well-dressed turkey!

**Woman:** I hope Molly doesn't find out I shrunk her cheerleading skirt!

**Girl:** Is that a daffodil or is it my cheerleading skirt?

Orion M., age 10  
Parkersburg, West Virginia

## Winner

### Optical World

Optical World would be a float honoring glasses. There would be huge pairs of glasses all over the float. The people standing on it would be very cool and attractive, and they would be wearing glasses. The reason is because in many movies, books, and in real life, people who wear glasses are unfairly stereotyped as nerds. There would be large murals with easy-to-read words, which would point out that

glasses make things clear. The float would have a superhero named Specs-Man, who gives kids glasses to help them do better in school. Specs-Man's archenemy is Blurry Guy, who has the power to make things look blurry and who makes fun of people who wear glasses.

Rachel G., age 12  
Needham, Massachusetts

## Honorable Mentions

### The Arctic Float

Christina G., age 9  
Omaha, Nebraska



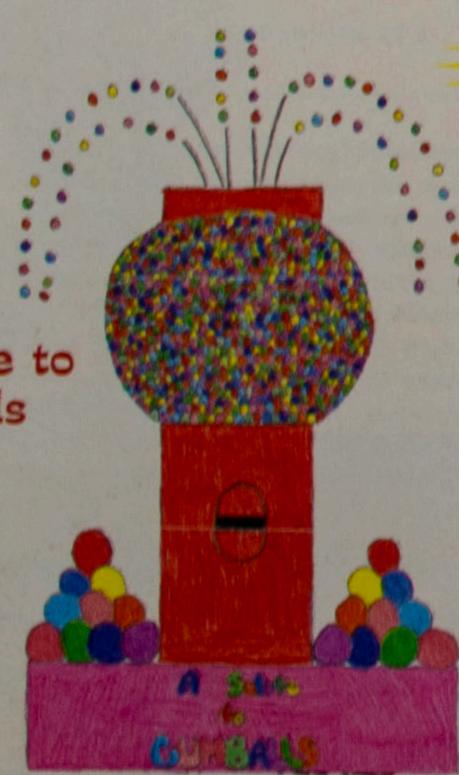
## Fantastic Float Contest Results

In our November 1995 issue, we asked you to design an outrageous float. Here are our contest winners and honorable mentions. Each winner received Nickelodeon Videos, a Nickelodeon T-shirt, Gak, Fizam, Smud, and other great Nickelodeon stuff.

## Winners

### A Salute to Gumballs

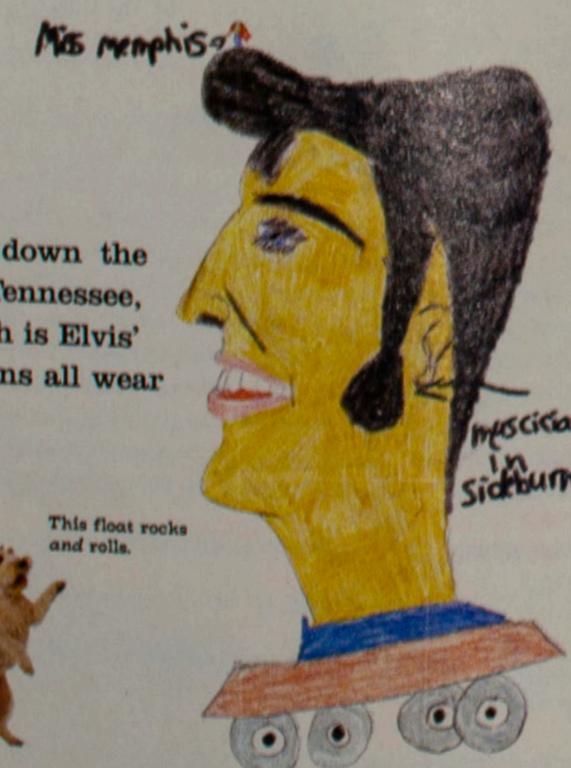
Kim M., age 12  
Gurnee, Illinois



### Elvis

This float would go down the streets of Memphis, Tennessee, on January 8th, which is Elvis' birthday. The musicians all wear Elvis jumpsuits.

Callie T., age 10  
Eastaboga, Alabama



### Ode to Termites, Our Friends

The float is made entirely out of wood—not to mention some termites! I think you know what happens next!

Sasha B., age 11  
Mt. Vernon, New York



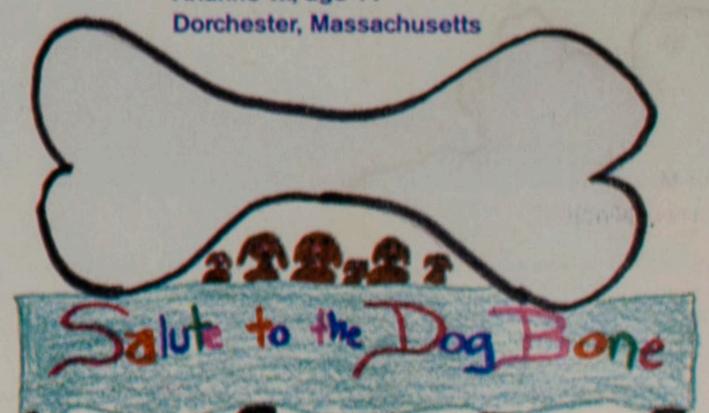
### Pig Float

Mandi M., age 9  
Yakima, Washington



### Salute to the Dog Bone

Arienne W., age 11  
Dorchester, Massachusetts



Thanks for all your great entries! They really floated our boat.

# Say What?

What's on their minds? Give these people something to think and say.



Name ..... Age .....  
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